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FRACAS IN LIVERPOOL — The police dragging a man away Monday from a van carrying two 10-year-old youths accused of killing a 2-year-old Liverpool boy. Page 4.

UN Votes to Set Up Balkan War Crimes Court

By Julia Preston

UNITED NATIONS, New York - The Security Council voted manimously Monday to establish a special international tribunal to try war crimes committed since 1991 in the fighting in the former Yugoslavia.

It is the first time the United Nations has set up a court to prosecute crimes against humanity, and the first globally mandated forum to prosecute such crimes since the Nuremberg

Voting on a French proposal, the council asked Secretary-General Butros Butros Ghali to prepare a report within 60 days detailing the specific structure and procedures of the tribu-

"There is an echo in this chamber loday. The Nuremberg principles have been reaffirmed," said the U.S. ambassador, Madeleine K. Albright. "The lesson that we are all accountable to international law may finally have taken

hold in our collective memory,"

Mrs. Albright added, "This will be no victor's tribunal," in a reference to charges raised at the

time of the Nuremberg trials that they adminis-tered only the justice of the allies who triumphed in the war.

United Nations diplomats hoped their vote would deter atrocities as the war continues. Bul establishment of the court and its rules for operation are months away, and Bosnia's UN ambassador cast doubt on whether war crimes

"We should not kid ourselves that war criminals are going to be deterred by just the estab-lishment of a tribunal," said Mohammed Sacirbey, the Bosnian envoy.

Fighting in the former Yugoslavia has been accompanied by accounts of mass killings, rapes, torture, ethnic cleansing — the mass expulsions of rival ethnic groups — and detention centers reminiscent of Nazi concentration

Council diplomats said they expected the new tribunal, an ad boc body limited to covering only former Yugoslavia, can be set up without time-consuming disputes because international laws governing war crimes have

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Peace and Rain Give Mozambicans Cause for Hope

By Bill Keller New York Times Service

TETE, Mozambique - On a continent of withered promise, where country after country has defeated recent dreams of creating civil order out of chronic chaos, Mozambique has unexpectedly emerged as a candidate for an African success

When a cease-fire was signed in October, few expected it to end this country's savagely indiscriminate 16-year war, but it has beld for months. A ruthless drought that had aid donors touting Mozambique as the next Somalia has been broken by quenching rains, and the country is carpeted with corn.

Here in the fertile northwest, refugees who fled the insurgent Mozambican National Resistance Movement, or Renamo, are streaming home from border camps in Malawi and rebuilding

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caravans of Hindus activists.

Angry Hindus

By Edward A. Gargan

under siege Monday as it braced for an enor-

mous demonstration by Hindu fundamental-ists, which is scheduled for Thursday and has

Fears of violent confrontations between fervent Hindu militants and the police are sweep-

Hindu leaders were being rounded up by the

ing New Delhi even as security forces try to seal

police: trains pulling into the city's three sta-tions were being checked for Hindu protesters,

and the roads into the city were sealed to motor

Along Raj Path, the huge grassy esplanade and boulevard leading to the looming red sandstone government buildings, workers hammered giant wooden beams into the asphalt and

began laying metal pipe barriers across road-

ways. Groups of green-uniformed police wielding long bamboo staves idled in the shade of

For weeks, Hindu political leaders have been

promising that more than a million of their

supporters would descend on the capital in an

effort to bring down the government of Prime Minister P.V. Narasimha Rao. By staging a massive protest outside Parliament, the Hindu

leaders said that they would force Mr. Rao to

call for new national elections, which they hope will catapult them to power.

But Mr. Rao, under pressure from colleagues

in his ruling Congress (I) Party who have said the protest would degenerate into violence, has

outlawed the demonstration and flooded the

city with police and paramilitary troops. The political opposition, the Bharatiya Janata Party, has said that the protest will go ahead

The point is," said Mr. Rao, in an interview,

"in an atmosphere which is surcharged with

communal feelings, tensions, you cannot take

New York Times Service
NEW DELHI — India's capital was a city

the cane huts burned by the rebels. In other regions, food and medicine are reaching villagers isolated for many years behind

"We've got a combination of peace and rain, which there hasn't been in Mozambique for a quarter of a century," said Arthur M. Hussey 3d, coordinator of relief deliveries for

Mozambicans from President Joaquim Chissano down to the resettled peasants and dormant warriors describe a universal weariness with war. Foreign donors and diplomats speak of Mozambique with an optimism that surprises them, as a place where the West's post-Cold War ambition of playing midwife to new democracies stands a chance of being fulfilled.

The greatest danger now to Mozambique's tranquillity, almost everyone agrees, is Mozambique's tranquillity.

Lacking scenes of carnage and starvation to disturb Western television audiences, Mozambique is having trouble competing for attention with Somalia and the Balkans

As a result, the dispatch of United Nations peacekeeping troops — which is a prerequisite for disarming the rivals, merging them into a new national army and moving toward elections - bas fallen far behind schedule.

Some fear that the cease-fire faces a serious test in March, when the new crop comes in and Renamo, which was drawn to the peace table in part by hunger, is no longer dependent on

foreign handouts. "Delay is a big danger, of course," Mr. Chissano said in an interview in Maputo, the capital. "The soldiers and the Ren-See MOZAMBIOUE, Page 4 ·

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U.S. Names Chief For Aid to Russia

WASHINGTON (Reuters) — The United States appointed a coordinator of U.S. aid to the former Soviet Union on Monday, soon after the current coordinator said President Boris N. Yeltsin's days in power were num-

The new coordinator is Thomas W. Simons Jr., the U.S. ambassador to Poland, a State Department spokesman said. Mr. Simons will replace Richard L. Armitage, a Bush administration appointee who is likely to stay

in office until April or May.

The Clinton administration has sought to distance itself from recent comments by Mr. Armitage in which he said he expected Mr. Yeltsin to be ousted before his presidential term ends in 1996.

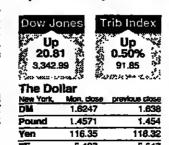
When asked whether Mr. Armitage's remarks had hastened Mr. Simons' appoint-ment, Mr. Snyder said the administration had been working for a month on appointing a new coordinator, who will work for Strobe Talbott. President Bill Clinton's designated ambassador-at-large to the Commonwealth of Independent States.

Mr. Simons, a career diplomat, has served as director of the State Department's office of Soviet Union affairs and as deputy assistant secretary of state for European affairs.

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NO MORE QUESTIONS - President Elias Hrawi of Lebanon signaling to reporters Monday at news conference with Secretary of State Christopher. Page 4.



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In the New Russia, It's Traveler Beware

By Margaret Shapiro

MOSCOW - Travelers in the former Soviet republics fortify themselves with a certain black humor, a competition to top the latest tale of the worst hotel (in Armenia, with mice in the bed and mushrooms on the walls); the most delayed flight (out of Khabarovsk, where passengers rioted after a week of waiting), and the most bizarre in-flight conditions (snowdrifts in an unheated cabin).

This is one of the ironies of life here: Just when it became possible to go anywhere in the old Soviet orbit, the process of traveling has become so grim as to make one almost long for the days of stony-faced Soviet

Travel was never luxurious here, even in the empire's heyday. But airplanes hewed to a rough schedule, visa regulations did not change daily, hotels for foreigners provided heat and hot water, and one was not forced to share a taxi ride with a gun-toting ethnic warrior in full battle

Now, with the Soviet superpower splintered, local wars flaring and economic and political chaos taking their toll, even basic comforts can no longer he counted on.

Moscow's busy Domodedovo Airport provides a case study. Flights are delayed for days at a time - by lack of fuel, bad weather, warfare at the other end or simply unknowable causes - and the delays are so frequent that the airport's grimy, poorly lit corridors are filled with exhausted families camping out and waiting, blankets spread on the muddy tiles, diapers and undershirts hanging out to dry.

inexplicably, departures may be announced and passengers burriedly herded onto a frigid, dilapidated bus -only to find, at a distant corner of the airfield, a darkened plane still covered with snow and ice, without stairways or a flight crew. If the passengers are lucky, they are then returned to the "waiting lounge"; often, though, they must simply huddle beneath the ghostly jet or walk back to the terminal, dodging

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Clinton to Demand **Enforcement of Limits** On Airbus Subsidies

By Paul F. Horvitz

WASHINGTON - President Bill Clinton vowed Monday to seek "tough new discipline" on Europe's subsidies of its Airbus jetliner and to "change the rules of the game" to protect U.S. aerospace jobs.

In a speech to workers at the Boeing Co. near Scattle, Mr. Clinton said that his top trade official, Mickey Kantor, would be "closely monitoring the agreement which was made finally last year with regard to limiting European subsidies to Airbus to allow a level playing field."

That 1992 agreement between Europe and the United States limited government subsidies for the aircraft industries on both sides of the Atlantic, but there have been conflicting reports about whether the White House planned to reopen the agreement. Mr. Clinton's comments Monday, while not specific about his intentions, indicated that the United States might interpret the new agreement strictly.

"We'll be seeking tough new discipline on those subsidies, both in our attempts to get an agreement on the General Agreement on Trade. as well as the specific aircraft code," Mr. Clinton said. "You know, I've seen these agreements made for years. I've seen people promise us they'd do this, that, and the other thing, and then nothing ever happens."

Later be added: "A lot of that has to do with the fact that other nations follow targeted strategies of partnerships to pierce markets which you had dominated under a free-market system but with which you could not compete if Europe subsidized Airbus to the tune of \$26 billion, for example."

Many Boeing layoffs, he said, "would not have been announced had it not been for the \$26 billion that the United States sat by and let Europe plow into Airbus over the last several

"So we're going to try to change the rules of the game," he said. Earlier Monday, Mr. Clinton, calling for "a partnership with the private sector," pushed his economic plan in California's Silicon Valley and unveiled a multibillion-dollar program of tax incentives to encourage high-technology

The program also calls for changes in antitrust laws to permit "joint production ven-tures," the White House said, and would expand a Commerce Department program that provides matching grants for industry-led re-

search and development consortiums.

The centerpiece of Mr. Cliaton's high-technology program would make permanent the government's research and experimentation tax credit for businesses. The credit would be retro-active to 1992 and would cost the Treasury \$6 hillion over the next four years.

The initiative also includes efforts to encourage creation of an advanced "clean" automobile, for developing new energy conservation technology and for creation of regional centers to give smaller businesses access to advanced technology like supercomputers. It would transform an existing military advanced re-search agency to a civilian agency and seeks to help build a national information "superhigh-

The national data link would give researchers and businesses access to a vast amount of information and, said Vice President Al Gore, and permit schoolchildren to "plug into a digital library" at home rather than amusing themscives with Nintendo after school.

Mr. Gore, who has taken the lead in technology issues at the White House, announced the initiative to employees of Silicon Graphics, a computer company in Mountain View, California. He and the president toured the company before flying to Scattle.

The high-technology initiative is already built into the \$168 billion Mr. Clinton wants to spend over the next four years for "investment" projects aimed at creating higher-wage jobs. About \$550 million would be spent immediately under the president's short-term stimulus

Japan Feels Pain in Call For Yen's Rise

By Steven Brull nonal Herald Tribine

TOKYO - With its economy in recession and its currency at a record high against the dollar, the last thing Japan wants now is a sharp run-up in the value of the yen.

Major car and electronics exporters, their profits in decline because of the sluggish domestic market, would see their competitiveness and profit margins eroded further overseas. As the pressure filtered back home, Japan's job marker would weaken further, consumption would fall and - to the chagrin of its American and European partners - the trade surplus would swell in the short

"The Japanese economy is still in bad shape," said Masaru Takagi, chief economist at the Fuji Research Institute. "If the ven rises further it's a double negative and the U.S. won't be able to export so many

products to Japan."

In the long run, though, economists agree a stronger yen would work to the advantage of Japan and the rest of the world. It would increase Japanese imports by making them cheaper, and spur another wave of foreign direct investment that would create growth and jobs overseas, especially in Southeast Asia, It also would make Japanese companies fiercer compet-

"A stronger yen would boost the financial and industrial competitiveness of Japan in the long term," Mr. Takagi said.
"Japanese companies would have to overcome it by becoming more efficient."

Speculation that the Group of Seven industrial nations will try to trim Japan's trade surplus by agreeing to boost the yen at their meeting Saturday in London has caused the Japanese currency to rise more than 6 percent against the dollar in the past two weeks.

On Monday, the dollar closed in Tokyo at a record low of 116.85 yen. It fell further to close at 116.35 in New York, down from

124.30 yea. It's uncertain, however, how long the yen's strength will last. Economists note that in addition to speculative trading, the yen is being boosted by the repatriation of funds by Japanese companies seeking any cushion they can find for what is expected to be the third straight year of declining profits in the period ending March 31. If anything, fundamentals point to a weak-ening of the yen later this year, as the American recovery puts upward pressure

on U.S. interest rates.
Prime Minister Kiichi Miyazawa and other officials also have been trying to slow the ven's appreciation, expressing concerns over the pace of the recent gains. The Bank of Japan governor, Yasushi Mieno, has hinted that the central bank would intervene if the currency rose too

The ven's surge on Monday hit the Tokyo stock market, where the Nikkei index fell 189.42 points to 16,820.61. Japanese government bond prices jumped, with the yield on the benchmark 10-year bond dropping below 4 percent for the first time

Japan's trade surplus, which soared to a See YEN, Page 12

Italy's Corruption Scandal Ensnares 2 Fiat Officials

Arrests Buffet Government and Stocks

By Alan Cowell New York Times Service ROME - Magistrates investigating Italy's

growing bribery scandal arrested two high-ranking Fiat executives on Monday, buffering the stock market and bringing a yearlong probe into official corruption closer to the auto giant that symbolizes the country's private business

The turbulence on the Milan stock exchange. in turn, presented new headaches for the beleaguered administration of Prime Minister Giu-liano Amato, who is desperately seeking some show of market confidence after a weekend cabinet reshuffle caused by the resignation of three ministers in connection with the corruption scandal.

The arrest in Turin of Fiat SpA's finance director, Francesco Paolo Mattioli, and Antonio Mosconi, head of the group's insurance arm, Toro Assicurazioni, shocked many finan-cial analysts, since Mr. Manfoli in particular is viewed as a key figure in the conglomerate's

He is close to the chief executive officer, Cesare Romiti, the trusted aide of the president, Gianni Agnelli.

A statement from Fiat's Turin headquarters shortly after the arrests registered "deep astonishment" and expressed "complete solidarity and the absolute conviction that the two managers, who have always carried out their duties with the utmost uprightness and diligence, will readily demonstrate their noninvolvement in any circumstances attributed to them."

Both men were arrested in connection with purported misdoings in a Fiat construction ubsidiary, Cogefar-Impresit, of which Mr. Mattioli is chairman.

He also has a string of other positions in Fiat's sprawling domain. Mr. Mosconi is a former vice chairman of the company.

For the past year, magistrates in Milan have been unraveling a bribery scandal of epic pro-portions involving hundreds of politicians and office-holders accused of trading public works contracts for bribes used to bankroll political Estimates of the amount of money to change

hands over the years run into billions of dollars. Accusations of Fiat's involvement first sur-

faced last year when magistrates arrested Enzo Papi, a director of Cogefar-Impresit, in connection with bribes purportedly paid to the dominant Christian Democratic Party in return for a contract for a Milan subway.

The contract was also said to have provided for other First subsidiaries to act as suppliers of commercial vehicles, rail tracks and subway

Mr. Papi had been implicated by Maurizio Prada, a former Christian Democratic party boss in Milan, who told magistrates earlier this month that bribes worth more than \$1 million had been paid to his party during negotiations on the contract.

Moreover, according to Italian news reports, Mr. Prada also implicated Mr. Mattioli and Mr. Mosconi, who were interrogated by the Milan

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of fellow opposition lawmakers on the lawns of the circular, pillared Parliament building. The See INDIA, Page 4

despite the ban.

this risk. It is that simple."

L.K. Advani, the leader of the opposition in Parliament, denounced the government for banning the rally and staged a three-hour sit-in

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For All the Talk, West Remains Wary on Bosnia Force

By Craig R. Whitney
New York Times Service BONN — Since Yugoslavia began to collapse in 1991, it has been clear that the European allies would not back a concerted Western military effort to stop the fighting unless the United States was willing to

Earlier this month, the Clinton administration signaled greater willingness than its predecessor to get involved in the search for a diplomatic settlement acceptable to

all the warring parties, and agreed to commit troops to help enforce it.

But despite sabre-rattling at the United Nations and elsewhere, President Bill Clinton so far has shown no more sign than President George Bush of being prepared to use American military muscle to try to actually make peace in the Balkans, and the Europeans are not really edging closer , to force either.

A British Foreign Office spokeswoman on Monday welcomed Mr. Clinton's remarks over the weekend indicating that he was considering the possibility of airdrops of supplies to Muslim areas under siege by Serbian forces in eastern Bosnia-Herzego-

that the Americans were "considering in- ities. creased involvement in delivering humani-

tarian aid to Bosnia." More than 12,000 European troops, with sizable contingents from Britain and France, are already so involved. But officials in Paris, Brussels, and London said that the United States had not asked Brit-

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ain, France, or the North Atlantic Treaty Organization to join an airdrop operation. There is no great enthusiasm for this at all," a British Defense Ministry official

Europeans, like Americans, are outraged at the borrors they see nightly on their television screens, and for much of the past year most of them have held Serbian forces responsible for the worst of the violence.

But fear of being drawn into a deadly conflict they do not believe is of their own making has made European governments chary of sending troops into the Balkans in a peacemaking role, or of other actions like airdrops — that might start them down

vina. The remarks, she said, were a sign the slippery slope of involvement in hostil-

Opinion polls in Britain and France have shown varying degrees of support for the abstract notion of intervention, but as soon as British and French casualties in the Balkan peacekeeping force began to rise earlier this year, political leaders stopped suggesting that more troops should be sent

A French Foreign Ministry official said that public opinion polls in France had

"The way the questions in the polls are formulated is unfortunately not very pre-

cise," the official said. A majority of Germans — whose news media and political leaders have repeatedly and graphically depicted alleged Serbian atrocities against the Muslims in Bosnia tell polling organizations that they do not believe German troops could be useful in the Balkans because of Nazi atrocities committed there in World War II.

pear to feel that vicious and incomprehensible ethnic conflicts in the Balkans are too complex and dangerous to try to settle by most powerful European NATO ally, is so

have gone along with them. nals and tighter economic sanctions will force the factions to lay down their weapons and accept a negotiated agreement.

Both the British and French governthat public opinion polls in France used shown that 60 percent to 70 percent of those asked were in favor of military intervention to stop the lighting, but suggested worried about the possibility that more active measures, such as NATO air strikes

The main additional Western military option discussed so far, the enforcement of the ban on Serbian military flights over Bosnia, seems bound to lead to new tensions within the NATO alliance.

If the UN Security Council votes such a Russia or China will allow it to go through, despite the recent mission of the U.S. special envoy, Reginald Bartholomew, to

At bottom, most European leaders ap- Moscow - NATO would provide the planes to enforce it.

armed intervention, and their electorates badly divided over whether its soldiers could participate in such a mission, even Instead, the Europeans hope that the indirectly, that some diplomats believe the threat of international war-crimes tribu-

This could happen if the subject came to a head before the country's 1949 constitution was revised to provide explicit authority for the Germans to join international peacekeeping missions beyond their bor-

As bloody as the crisis in the Balkans is, against Serbian positions in Bosnia, could it is also unlikely to achieve top priority at make their soldiers hostage to the fighting a time when every major NATO government including the United States, is more preoccupied with domestic problems, particularly economic ones.

The only thing that could change that is if the worst happens and the fighting spills over and involves Greece, Bulgaria, Albameasure - and it is not clear that either nia and possibly even Russia, where President Boris N. Yeltsin's increasingly assertive parliamentary opposition supports the

WORLD BRIEFS

Tank Leaks Chemicals in Frankfurt

FRANKFURT (AP) — A leak from an overpressured tank spewed about 10 tons of mildly poisonous chemicals into the air early Manday, spreading them over a wide area in Frankfurt, officials said.

People affected by the leak at the Hoechst AG plant in Grieshean were proposed not to less children play outside and not to use garden classes. reopie arrected by the reak at the frozenst no point in this case warned not to let children play outside and not to use garden plants for food. The Frankfurt fire department said about 300,000 square meters (75 acres) of land in the Schwanheim and Griesheim suburbs of Frankfurt. furt, including a stretch of the Main River, were coated with the

The leak of a mix of ortho-nitroanisol, chlornitrobenzol and menthol at about 4:30 A.M. occurred when too much pressure built up in a back investigators said. A safety valve on the tank opened, spewing out a cloud that settled back to the ground in a powdery residue.

Yeltsin Attacks Military Hard-Liners

MOSCOW (Reuters) - President Boris N. Yeltsin said Monday the there were forces in Russia hoping to drag the unlitary into politics; and the appealed to the armed services to act as guarantous of stability.

In an interview on the eve of Armed Forces Day, Mr. Yeltsin attacked. those who, he said, "shamelessly assume for themselves the title of Great Patriot" and defame others. "I consider this foul and irresponsible," he

His comments appeared to be aimed at hard-line nationalists, incliding radical groups in the armed forces, who accuse the president of betraying Russia as a great power.

Woman Loses Court Bid for Embryos

WASHINGTON (Reuters) — The U.S. Supreme Court, stepping into a precedent-setting legal battle, rejected an appeal Monday from a divorced woman who wanted control over seven frozen embryos that the and her former husband conceived four years ago.

The justices let stand a ruling by the Tennessee Supreme Court granting control of the embryos to the clinic where they were conceived in vitro, but leaving the question of their subsequent disposition unresolved. The high court upheld the right of the man to prevent his former wife from using or donating the embryos. The action brings to an end a highly

from using or donating the embryos. The action brings to an end a highly a publicized legal battle between Mary Sue Davis Stowe and her former husband, Junior Lewis Davis. The Tennessee court had held that the state's interest in the potential life of the embryos was not sufficient to force the man to become a parent, overriding his constitutional privacy

Angolan Peace Talks Set for Friday

LUANDA, Angola (Renters) — Peace talks between the government and the rebel movement UNITA have been scheduled for Friday, and the first objective will be a cease-fire in the renewed civil war, a UN official

"It is only with a cease-fire that it will be possible to save the traumatized population," a spokesman for Margaret Anstee, a UN representative, said. The United Nations announced the talks, which are to be held in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, as government troops fought their

way toward Huambo, a besieged city in central Angola.

The government and UNITA — the National Union for the Total Independence of Angola - had fought each other for 16 years, after independence from Portugal in 1975, until they signed a peace agreement in Lisbon in May 1991. That agreement collapsed when the UNITA leader, Jonas Savimbi, refused to accept his defeat in UN-supervised elections in September 1992.

TRAVEL UPDATE

France's 2-week-old mail strike appeared to be petering out Monday. The postal service said that only 4 percent of Paris's 19,000 mail employees were on strike, and that letter carriers in the 18th and 9th arrondissements — where stoppages first began Feb. 8 — were the only holdouts. One of the six unions representing postal workers, the CGT, said strikes were continuing in Marseille and Le Havre. The CGT also said it had filed papers for a new nationwide strike on Wednesday and Thursday, but the union has received lukewarm support from other

French farmers blocked rail traffic bround the country on Monday in protests over the government's stance in world trade talks. The state-run railway, SNCF, said trains were canceled or delayed in Paris, Tours, Chartres, Orleans, Tonlouse and other cities:

About a million revelers in Germany's Rhine Valley celebrated Rose Monday, the peak of the Carnival season, with parades and other events. But the authorities said attendance at the festivities, which were conceatrated in Cologne, Düsseldorf and Mainz, was lower this year because of cold weather and snow flurries.

Avalanches have closed roads in northern Iran, stranding hundreds of vehicles and cutting off about 30 villages, Tehran radio reported. Snowslides were reported on a mountain road linking Karaj, about 30 kilome ters west of Tehran, to Chalus on the Caspian Sea.

"This is not a bargaining process," she said. "These are two different actions on two sepa-UN-sponsored forensic investigators from the great majority of the atrocities on Serbian the Boston-based group Physicians for Human Rights concluded after partially examining a Under the Bush administration, former Sec-On Berlin Council, a Lone Foreign Voice

Mourners at a mass funeral Monday in Zvornik, northeastern Bosnia, for 38 Serbian soldiers said to have been killed by Muslims.

CRIMES: UN Council Votes Unanimously to Set Up Yugoslav Tribunal

grave site near Vukovar that a mass execution had occurred and more than 200 bodies were

buried there. The tribunal will also investigate

reports of the systematic rapes by Serbian sol-

mal judicial proceedings will begin, the Security

Council described the tribunal as a deterrent to

perpetrated these horrendous crimes, that they

will be beld accountable," said Russia's UN

UN and international buman rights observ-

ers, while cautioning that crimes have been

committed by all sides, have laid the blame for

Although it will be some months before for-

diers of Bosnian Muslim women.

ambassador, Yuli M. Vorontsov.

new crimes in the war.

By Stephen Kinzer

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been extensively codified in the four decades

In a Feb. 10 report based on the findings of a

ve-member experts' commission he empan-

eled, Mr. Butros Ghali told the Council that

"grave breaches" had been committed in the

vicious feud between Muslim, Serbian and Cro-

atian ethnie groups in Bosnia-Herzegovina and

One of the first crimes the tribunal will inves-

tigate was the disappearance of bundreds of Croatian and Muslim patients and medical staff from a hospital in Vukovar, Croatia, that

was forcibly evacuated by Serbian gunmen in

New York Times Service
BERLIN — The thousands of men and women who hold elective office in Germany are a tremendously varied group, emerging from backgrounds rich and poor and ranging in ideology from Marxist to crypto-fascist. With perhaps a single exception, however, all have one thing in common: They were born in Germany.

That exception - and he believes there are no others - is Ismail Hakki Kosan. He says he is the only foreign-born eitizen who has successfully challenged the unspoken taboo against nonnative politicians. From a remote Kurdish village in eastern Turkey, he has risen to membership in the Berlin City Council.

"Ismail has the hardest job of any of us," said a fellow councillor, Eckhardt Barthel. "People expect a great deal from him. Other politi-cians watch him much more closely than they watch someone like me."

Despite the fact that Germany is a magnet for emigrants and asylum-seekers from all over the world, many people here still insist that this is "not an immigration country." Foreign-born politicians

When he appeared in the legislative chamber for the first time, guards suspected his identification card was false. His dark curls and swarthy complexion give him an

appearance quite apart. As he promised in his campaign, Mr. Kosan has devoted most of his time on the council to issues relating to foreigners. In his maiden speech in September, which he delivered only days after rightist thugs laid siege to a hostel for asylum-seekers in Rostock, he warned that racist attacks posed a danger 10 German democracy.

"Once before," he recalled, "a disoriented generation of young Germans took up the cries of 'Germany Awake!' and 'Death to Jews!' Now we are hearing echoes of that time. A new disoriented generation must not be allowed to endanger the German democracy that we have worked so hard to build."

Mr. Kosan, who is married to a German, was born in an Anatolian village that had only three houses. His parents were once sentenced to death for their sympathy with

France Expels Mafia Suspect

GRENOBLE, France - The government has expelled to Italy a Sicilian accused of forming a Mafia cell in the Alpine city of Grenoble, the Interior Ministry said. Giacomo Pagano, 58, was handed over to the Italian police.

instead deported from their native region. In 1948, after 10 years of exile, they were allowed to return, and in that year Ismail was born.

Growing up in the shadow of rightist repression, Mr. Kosan dereloped sympathy for liberal ideas. Among his idols was Senator Robert F. Kennedy, and after finishing high school he wrote to Mr. Kennedy, asking help in obtaining a scholarship to study in the United States. He received an encouraging reply, but after Robert Kennedy's assassination he decided to apply to schools in Germany, where there is a large Turkish minority.

In 1969 he was admitted to an engineering school in Berlin, and after only a few months here he won election to head the citywide association of Turkish students. To support himself he cleaned toilets. washed dishes and worked as a construction laborer. Later he worked for a German lawyer who represented foreign clients.

Like many foreigners here, Mr. Kosan had continual problems with his residence visa. But because he had become an active member of the Green Party, he was connected to politicians who were able to help him obtain German citizen-ship in 1990. Later that year, the Greens nominated him to run for the City Council.

The Green Party is traditionally sympathetic to foreigners, but nevertheless Mr. Kosan had to overcome resistance to his candidacy from within the party.

"With any other party it might another matter."

are accepted in many countries, but Kurdish movements, but the sen-in Germany Mr. Kosan is still a tence was suspended and they were abroad to become a candidate, but tence was suspended and they were abroad to become a candidate, but even with the Greens it isn't easy, he said. "They like the idea of a foreigner running on their ticket, but some of them didn't want me. People whom I supplied with ideas for years didn't want to give me a nce to present these ideas my-

retary of State Lawrence S. Eagleburger singled

out President Slobodan Milosevic of Serbia and

the leader of the Bosnian Serbs, Radovan Kar-

adzic, among other Serbian leaders and com-manders as figures who should be investigated

Mr. Karadzic, who leads the Serbian delega-

tion to peace talks here, has vehemently op-

posed any tribunal set up only for the Balkans

"It is a dangerous procedure, open to

Mrs. Albright said that the vote on the tribu-

nal was not intended to discourage Mr. Karad-

zic from attending UN-sponsored peace talks.

abuses." he said in a recent interview.

Partly because of fears that he would not submit to party discipline, Mr. Kosan was assigned to the 15th place on the Green ticket for City Council, lower than he had hoped. Berliners vote for the party of their choice rather than for individuals, and in 1990 the Greens won only enough votes to place 12 candidates in the 241-member council. But three winning candidates later gave up their mandates, and in August Mr. Kosan was

The Green Party hopes to re-enter the legislature in 1994, and Mr. Kosan said he had not ruled out the possibility of running. But he is also in touch with Social Democratic politicians in Turkey, and he may pursue his political career there. Under Turkish law, a Turk retains his citizenship even after taking citizenship in another coun-

"Nationality is not important," he said. "I don't consider myself a Turkish councillor, but a human being who wants to work in politics and happens to live in Berlin. If I had gone to America I would have done the same thing. I accept this society. Whether it accepts me is

TRAVEL: A Hard Russian Road

(Continued from page 1)

taxiing planes on the dimly lit tarmac. There is one advantage to this departure ordeal. When passengers finally do leave, they barely flinch at the sight of the broken, charred plane wreckage that has been lying just off Domodedovo's runway for months, or at the filthy condition of the plane they are on, or at the several people — and sometimes animals — standing in the nisle

because there are not enough seats. The state airline Aeroflot is one of the main casualties of the breakup of the Soviet Union. Chunks of its vast fleet have been handed over to the independent republics, and the airline operates at a deficit with less government money to bail it out. While officials insist that the fleet is safe, the anecdotal evidence is disquicting.

A government-sponsored flight of foreign correspondents several months ago, for instance, made a forced return to Moscow when one of its two engines blew out and a tire exploded. "Don't worry," an official accompanying the group said calmly. "Nothing out of the ordinary. In a country where many prod-

ucts are still scarce and anything can be sold on the streets, it is not surprising that Aeroflot planes have been stripped of safety vests and other removable items. Nonetheless, it was a shock to find a hotel using an Aeroflot toilet seat m the bathroom — complete with instructions about not throwing objects down the bowl.

Meanwhile, fuel shortages and frayed relations among these newly independent and largely impover-ished republics mean that official carry Sterno.

airline schedules bear little resem blance to reality. Dozens of scheduled routes are no longer flown. Hotels, too, are not for the faint-

hearted. A few top-quality hotels exist in Moscow, St. Petersburg and a handful of other cities, but conditions elsewhere can only be described as very basic. In Chechenia, for instance, the

hotel kitchen recently provided bit of what appeared to be week-ok chicken. In Yakutsk, the diamout capital of Russia, the hotel dimin room was closed days on end fo cleaning, and there was no other obvious place to eat.

No place, however, can compet with hotels in Armenia where fuel blockade has left the countr without heat, water, electricity an telephone service. Just six month ago, it was enough to bring a fe bottles of water, a small plugimmersion heater to make coffee one's room and a willingness I wait for the few hours a day of electricity to take a cold shower i flush the toilet - both possib only when electric pumps are ope

themselves with flashlights, box of matches and candles to fir their way at night in Armenia main tourist hotel, a massive me ble structure that has become gloomy, frigid tomb. To keep war at night, they must sleep und eight heavy blankets and wear c ery article of clothing they can fir including hats and gloves. As they must not expect any resp when morning comes, becau there is no heat or hot water wit out electricity. Savvy travelers or

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Boycott Over, Aid Rolls Into Sarajevo

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina - Food and medical supplies began flowing into Sarajevo again Monday after the city's authorioes

lifted their 10-day protest boycott of United Nations aid. UN planes had already started landing at the airport before the formal announcement by political

leaders that aid would be accepted. · Flights had been suspended because supplies had piled up at the airport during the boycott. But trucks began shifting some of the 1,000 tons of supplies into the city center through the heaviest snow of

the winter. The city council mounted the protest because UN aid was not getting through to 100,000 Muslims out off by rebel Serbs in eastern

Although the Muslim-led Bosnian government said Saturday that the boycott was over, the authorities in Sarajevo waited until the Krajisnik.

See allowed a UN road convoy to Mr. Krajisnik told the Belgradereach the Muslim settlement of

A second UN convoy, due to set

was postponed for a day at the request of the Serbs.
They said tensions were high after the mass funeral of 38 Serbian soldiers killed by Muslims close to the convoy's route and the security

of the UN trucks could not be guar-

Serbian officials said most of the soldiers were captured alive before they were killed.

Radovan Karadzic, the leader of the Bosnian Serbs, said Monday that there was no need for U.S. airdrops of relief supplies to Muslims, a move being considered by President Bill Clinton.

There is no need for parachute drops," Mr. Karadzic said. "There have been hundreds of convoys through Serb territory.

He added: "If they want to play games with their parachutes, then that is their affair. But don't American taxpayers care what is done

with their money?"
Mr. Karadzie said that his self-proclaimed Serbian Republic of Bosnia planned to send a delega-tion to peace talks in New York, but that he would not be heading it. r. Karadzic said the team would be led by Vice President Nikola Koljevie and the Bosnian Serbs' parliamentary president, Moncilo

based news agency Tanjug that the U.S. authorities had created difficulties for Mr. Karadzic in the past out on Monday from Belgrade for and that he had obligations at the Muslim-held town of Gorazde. home. Last week Mr. Karadzic home. Last week Mr. Karadzic asked for the talks to be moved

from New York to Geneva. In another development, mili-tary sources in Paris said French UN forces in Bosnia had been equipped with new weaponry including anti-aircraft and anti-tank missiles. (Reuters, AFP)

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WASHINGTON — Understand, please, that Tom Donohue, the president and preeminent lobbyist for the American Trucking Associations and its 4,000 members, does not actually oppose President Bill Clinton's package of tax increases and deficit reductions. Not even its tax on energy sources, including the diesel fuel that is the

"People want Bill Clinton in succeed," be said. "We're not going to fight it. We're just going to work with Congress to assure that it is

Washington's lobbyists are starting to talk, and suddenly the town has a serious echo problem.

Mr. Clinton wants to cut low-interest federal loans to rural electric utilities. "Our guys will take their fair share, with the emphasis on the word 'fair,' "v says a spokeswoman for the National Rural Electric Cooperatives Association representing 1,000 utilities and 25 million customers. "We want them to look at the subsidies the rest of the utility industry gets."

Mr. Clinton wants to stimulate the economy, which could increase mortgage rates, and be wants to scale back guaranteed benefits like the low-interest home loans for veterans. "Deficit reduction is something we feel strongly about," says the chief lobbyist for the Naoonal Association of Realtors with its 800,000 members. "The question is not having it apply disproportionately to real estate."
"Not that we don't expect to pay our fair share," he adds.

Aspin is 'Clearly improved,' Doctors Say

WASHINGTON — Defense Secretary Les Aspin was reported on Monday to be "clearly improved" after being hospitalized late Sunday for shortness of breath attributed to a "mild pre-existing

heart condition," the Pentagon said.

A statement released at the Pentagon said Mr. Aspin's physicians at Georgetown University Hospital had examined him and found

him "to be clearly improved."

The Pentagon did not identify Mr. Aspin's physicians, nor did it say how long be was expected in remain hospitalized. He was admitted Sunday night with symptoms that were triggered by a "lever caused by a series of immunizations," an earlier Pentagon statement said. The shots were given on Saturday in preparation for a trip abroad, that statement said. It was not immediately clear whether the hospitalization would affect those travel plans.

Mr. Aspin's spokesman, Vernon Guidry, said the secretary was conscious and "in possession of his faculties." Mr. Aspin, 54, has had a history of heart problems.

From Fund-Raising to Ambassadorship?

WASHINGTON - The word from a knowledgeable source is that Pamela Harriman, a leading Democratic fund-raiser, is a "done deal" to be the next U.S. ambassador to France. Despite her lack of a college degree, Mrs. Harriman, British-born wife of the late W. Averell Harriman, certainly meets the traditional qualifications for the job - tight pobtical connections and major campaign contributions. And what of Secretary of State Warren M. Christopher's edict that ambassadorial posts oot be rewards to major campaign contrib-

Quote/Unquote

Vice President Al Gore, when asked about Republican criticism of the Clinton economic plan: "Some of the critics have a lot of oerve, presiding over the quadrupling of the national debt and using smoke and mirrors for a dozen years and now attempting to prevent progress out of the nightmare that they helped create."



President Clinton laughing at a computer animation sequence in a studio of Silicon Graphics in Mountain View, California, on Monday. Before flying to Seattle, he and Mr. Gore toured the company, and the vice president detailed the technology initiative to employees.

He's Like Lincoln and 'Talks to People'

By William Booth

Washington Post Service
MIAMI BEACH — Adele Lapin and her friend and neighbor Ann Chorover did not watch President Bill Clintoo address Congress last week. They went 10 the opera. When you're 83 and 91, respectively, and live on a fixed income in a tough neighborhood, you go to "Tosca" when you get the chance,

This is not to say that they did not hear Mr. Clinton's speech or the voluminous commentary on it. By Thursday morning, they had watched the late-evening news broadcast, the public-affairs discussion program "Nightline," Cable News Network and the oews and entertainment program "Good Morning America." They could quote lines from the speech.

Ms. Lapin and Ms. Chorover are representatives of a subculture still quietly thriving to southern Florida: ethnic, urban, retired working-class people. Many were born to Europe, many are Jewish, and many are liberals or, to a

few cases, socialists, To say Ms. Lapin and Ms. Chorover liked Mr. Clinton's words is like saying they are sweet little old ladies - it is not enough. There is more to it than that.

"He talks to the people," Ms. Lapin said. "That means more to me than anything, more than Roosevelt, more than Kennedy. He knows he's got to work with the real people who make up this country. He's a people's president. Put that in the newspaper."

Ms. Lapin has seen a lot of the world in 83 years. Born in Ukraine, she remembers World War I. She emigrated to the United States in 1920, became a nurse and worked in the Bronx borough of New York City for most of her life. She lives in a small apartment crowded with old books, record albums and photographs in

the shadow of the beachfront condominiums of Miami Beach, but on a side street where sounds of gunfire and sirens are not uncommon. savings and pension. One of her largest ex-penses is the insurance that many elderly peo-

Ms. Lapin lives on her Social Security, small ple buy to cover the difference between what Medicare, the government's health insurance program, pays and what hospitals and doctors

"I have an apartment," she said. "I eat. If I can go out and listen to music now and then, I feel like a rieb person. I can pay a little bit more. I can help the president if they would only let him do what he oeeds to do."

Ms. Lapin said she believed that the budget

deficit Mr. Clinton inherited was bigger than his Republican predecessors had said it was. She also said she was not angry with him for breaking campaign promises about the middle elass and taxes.

She was more interested in what the president said about jobs, education, the environment and investment — and it was like a Puccíni aría to ber.

"I think be could be a Lincoln," Ms. Lapin said of Mr. Clinton. "I think he could be a great

The prospect of slightly higher electric bills under Mr. Clinton's energy-tax program does oot bother her. Ms. Lapin and Ms. Chorover both said the well-to-do can also afford in-

But both said they wanted to hear more

Universal Care? Health Advisers Have Big Doubts

Washington Post Service
WASHINGTON — President

Bill Clinton's advisers have told him that it is virtually impossible to provide health care to all Ameri-cans anytime soon if he wants to finance such a move by using savings from overhauling the system, as he promised in his campaign. Mr. Clinton could either delay

universal coverage until 1997, after his term ends, or begin to provide it now and count on an increase in government spending of up to \$175 billion over the next four years.

Even if new health plan is passed at the end of 1993, the plan "will generate savings no sooner than 1997," according to a confidential 83-page report by the administration's health transitinn team. "Even limited expansions in coverage before 1997 would require oew revenue.

Mr. Clinton said repeatedly during the campaign that his plan, which relies on a combination of government regulation and compe-titioo, could finance universal health care with the savings generated by comprehensive health care

His transition team, however, told him at a meeting last month that it would cost \$175 hillinn over the next four years to insure the 37 million unprotected Americans as the overhaul takes place.

To avoid the additional cost, he could wait to provide universal coverage until 1997, when the changes are producing significant

use a combination of new govern-ment spending — about \$105 billion over four years — and price controls to begin to cover the unin-sured immediately, with everyone having coverage by 1997.

Under this scenario, Mr. Clinton would have to get authority from Congress to "declare a national emergency and bring to across-the-board price controls" on private

The document was prepared by 16 members of the health transition sas, in mid-January.

Since then, the major authors of the report — Judith Feder, Atul to the health care system, said Gawande and Kenneth Thorpe — John F. Sheils, vice president of have moved into top positions at Lewin-VHI, a management consulthe Department of Health and Human Services to work on the health care. "You'll oever get the cost of care overhaul proposal that Mr. insurance low enough so that you Clinton plans to present to Condon't have to subsidize some peodon't have to subsidize some p gress in May.

Just how much savings could be health proposal was the source of considerable disagreement among Mr. Clinton's advisers during the campaign and has continued to be

Some top advisers - notably a senior White House adviser, Ira Magaziner - were reportedly disappointed at the costs outlined in the report.

But a subsequent memorandum from Mr. Magaziner to members of the President's Task Force on National Health Care Reform showed that the team's original cost calculations have been generally accept-ed as a starting point for drafting

In that memorandum, dated Jan. 29, Mr. Magaziner stated: "De-pendiog on definitions and program structure, universal access

could mean \$30 billion or \$90 bilion of additional annual expendi-ture by the government by 1997."

Advisers pointed out that as a candidate, Mr. Clintun purposeful-

ly never specified when he believed that universal access could be achieved. They point out that Mr. Clinton, who was comfortable and articu-

proposal than is normal during a "They just said they would pay for it through savings, they didn't

late in discussing health policy, of-fered far more details about his

'Even limited expansions in coverage before 1997 would require

new revenue. Clinton advisers' report

say how," said one adviser. "That's finesse, that's what it is." Health care reform was a corner-

stone of the Clinton campaign. He argued then, and still does, that revitalizing the national econ-omy cannot he achieved unless some of the \$930 billion spent in the United States each year on health care can be redirected into more productive uses.

Cost control is also crucial to

harnessing the federal deficit, Mr. Clinton bas said. Federal spending Another opoon, they said, is to on health care, principally Mcdise a combination of new govern-care and Medicaid, is expected to account for 50 percent of the increase in the federal deficit over the next four years.

But although be has iodicated his strong desire to control health costs, covering the uninsured will be expensive.

Most of the options laid out by Mr. Clinton's advisers recommend phasing in a mandate that employhealth care prices, the report states. ers provide their workers with cov-

Such a mandate will take care of team and presented to Mr. Clinton some of the uninsured - those at a meeting to Little Rock, Arkan- with jobs - but the government will have to cover the rest.

"It doesn't matter what you do

The Clioton transition team was generated to the short run from the explicit about the expense to its

To provide universal coverage would require the government to increase its Medicaid payments by \$16 billion over four years and spend \$84 billion more to subsidize the working poor — individuals and families with incomes at or no more than twice the poverty line.

To lighten the burden on the smallest firms that employ low-wage workers, Mr. Clinton promised to provide tax credits and other subsidies, which the team calculated would add \$26 billiop more in expenses. It would cost an additional \$30 billion to keep Mr. Clinton's campaign pledge to in-clude prescription drugs in a basic benefit package and another \$21 billioo for other government subsi-

Away From Politics

Overnor Mario M. Chomo of New York has nominated Judith Kaye, 54, a state appeals judge, to become New York's first woman chief judge. If she is confirmed by the Republican-cootrolled state Senate, Judge Kaye will lead the Court of Appeals, New York's top

percent and may cause about 14 percent of adult leukemia cases in the United States, scientists report in the current issue of the Archives of Internal Medicine. That would mean perhaps 3,600 cases a year, said researchers, who pooled results from 15 studies that included more than 4.5 million people. The study was written by Ross Brownson, director of chronic disease prevention at the Missouri Department of Health to Columbia, Thomas Novotny of the University of California, Berkeley and Michael Perry of the University of Missouri School of Medicine in Columbia.

• The New York Post has obtained a major new investor - Abraham Hirschfeld, a multimillionaire real-estate developer, who has invested \$3 million in The Post and will become chairman of the board. · A Chicago Transit Authority train rear-ended another that had stopped in a tunnel Sunday, the first day the trains were running along a new route, anthorities said. Thirty-five people were hurt.

• The graphic anti-homosexual video "The Gay Agenda," which was widely distributed in Congress and the Pentagon during the recent debate over homosexuals in the military, was produced at a small fundamentalist church in Lancaster, California, Antelope Valley Springs of Life Ministries. The church reordained the television evangelist Jim Bakker after a scandal involving his ministry; he preached his last sermons there before entering prison.

Taxes vs. Cuts: A Political Numbers Game By Steven Greenhouse director, says the administration has proposed

New York Times Services 2130 : WASHINGTON — Much of the congressio-oal battle about President Bill Clinton's eco-to 1997. That, of course, produces a 1-to-1 ratio. math: the ratio of proposed tax increases to proposed spending cuts.

Republican mathematicians attack the president's plan as a tax-and-spend scheme, asserting that it includes \$1.75 to \$18 in tax increases for every dollar in spending cuts. Mr. Clinton's calculators respond that it is a prudent, balanced plan, with one dollar in revenue tax increases for each dollar in spending cuts. Which side is right?

The answer, in the never-never land of American politics, is that both are, depending on how one cuts the deck, what time period is used and how one defines what is a spending cut and what is a tax increase.

Although both sides' arguments include some haze and fudge, a few things are clear. In proposing to cut the 1997 budget deficit by \$140 billion, the Clinton administration has fallen short of its goal of cutting two dollars in spending for every dollar in tax increases. As for the Republicans, while they insist that more spending cuts are in order, they have yet to supply the details. Leon E. Panetta, the White House budget

\$246 billion in revenue increases and \$247 bil-

nomic package could come down to a duel over Not so fast, the Republicans say. Those are tration includes its \$169 billion "investment" plan, which aims to improve education and job training and highways and other public works. Administration officials say this \$169 billion should not be looked at as just another type of spending that will be frittered away; they say it is investment in building a more productive

The plan includes \$109 billion in increased spending from 1994 to 1997, and \$60 billion in tax incentives - reduced taxes for corporations to encourage them to expand and invest. Once those numbers are factored in, there are \$138 billion in net spending cuts and \$186 billion in net tax increases. That produces a ratio one dollar in spending cuts for each \$1.35 in tax

"That is 76 cents in cuts for every \$1 in taxes, and I don't know how that's going to help the American economy," said Senator Pete V. Do-menici, Republican of New Mexico. But some Republicans say the picture is far worse. They assert that the administration is pulling another

fast one by counting its proposal to tax 85

percent of Social Security benefits, up from 50 percent currently, as a spending cut rather than a tax increase.

The administration counters that the Social Security change, which would save \$21 billion over four years, should be counted as a benefit or spending cut because the government is merely taking away with one hand some of what it gave with the other. A decade ago President Ronald Reagan called his decision to tax Social Security benefits a benefit cutback, the Democrats note, and the Republicans did'

Regardless of who is right, if this \$21 billion is counted as a tax increase, as the Republicans cootend, then the administration is proposing \$207 in net revenue increases and \$117 billion in net spending cuts. That produces a ratio of one dollar in spending cuts for each \$1.77 in revenue increases.

Defending the administration, Mr. Panetta argues that it is fairer either to look at the whole package over four years or to look at it when all the spending cuts and tax increases are phased in. That means 1997. Counting Social Security changes as a spending cut, he notes that for fiscal year 1997 the plan calls for \$112 billion in spending cuts and \$83 billion in revenue increases. That translates into 74 cents in tax increases for every dollar in spending cuts.

Jean Lecanuet, a Pioneer in French Politics, Dies

PARIS — Jean Lecannet, 72, a senator, longtime mayor of Rouen and a founder of France's important centrist political force, died of cancer Monday, his aides said.

Mr. Lecanuet, who died at his home to Neuilly-sur-Scine, a Paris suburb, served as justice minister in the government of Prime Minister Jacques Chirac in 1974, then as minister for territorial management in the succeeding government of Raymond Barre.

He also served for years as a senator or deputy in the National The mayor of Ronen, in Normandy, since 1968, he also held

numerous regional posts.

But his most lasting political contribution was his work to create a centrist force between the right and left, a "third force" that he correctly predicted 25 years ago would play a major role in French pobtical life.

net presented himself as the "candidate of the center, a social demoerat and Enropeao" in the presidential election in 1965. Mr. Lecannet, who was called the "French Kennedy" for his per-

When barely known, Mr. Lecan-

He was a senator at his death and had been re-elected in October as the president of the Foreign Affairs and Defense Commission of the that election.

Though this placed him only Though this placed him only third among six candidates, it forced de Gaulle, the founder of the Fifth Republic, toto a runoff with François Mitterrand, the Socialist candidate, and helped re-establish centrism in French poli-

Mr. Lecanuet headed successive centrist movements starting in 1963, when he presided over the Popular Republican Movement.

He headed the Center for Social Democrats from 1976 to 1982 and the Union for French Democracy Democracy Democracy Democracy Joshua Cox, 12, a handicapped boy who attended inauguradon ceremonies last month in Washingfrom 1978 to 1988.

Mr. Lecanuet was a vigorous supporter of the Treaty on European Unioo and campaigned for ratification of the treaty by France in a referendum in September.

Mr. Lecanuet, who had a doctorate in philosophy, was a member of the Roman Catholie resistance during World War II and was arrested by the Germans in 1944.

too at the invitation of Vice President Al Gore's wife, Tipper, as one of 50 "Faces of Hope," died Saturday from complications of pncumonia in Akron, Ohio.

Harvey Kartzman, 68, a cartoonist and historian of pop culture who helped found Mad magazine and was a guiding force at several other satirical publications, died Sunday from complications of liver cancer at his home in Mount Vernon, New

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Melee at U.K. Murder Hearing 2 Boys' Arraignment Draws Angry Crowd

By William E. Schmidt

New York Times Service LIVERPOOL —Shouting ahuse and wrestling with police officers, a r: crowd of angry protesters rushed police vans carrying two 10-yearold boys away from a Liverpool courthouse Monday after their arraignment on charges of murder duction of another toddler the and kidnapping in the hrutal death same day. of a toddler.

Six people were arrested as a result of the brief melee, the latest : episode of public fury here since James Bulger, 2, disappeared from his mother's side at a downtown shopping center on Feb. 12 and was later spotted on security cameras being led away by two unidentified boys. His battered body was discovered two days later beside a

railroad embankment A crowd of more than 200 people, many of them men and women from the Liverpool neighborhood where the Bulger family lives, were on hand when the police vans pulled away from the courthouse. Two men pounded on the sides of the vans with their fists before they were pushed aside by the po-

The crowds dispersed peaceably moments after the brief disturbance, while local clergymen and - politicians made public appeals for calm. "James's family have called repeatedly for calm," said George Howarth, a local member of Parliament. "They want dignity, not a

The two boys, whose identities action to deal with youth crime.

The opposition Labor Party, in minute appearance inside the South Sefton Youth Court. The police filed formal charges Saturday accusing the youngsters of murder and abduction in the death of the Bulger boy, and the attempted ab-

They are among the youngest children ever to be charged with murder in Britain. Under British law, a child as young as 10 can be tried for murder or manslaughter, if prosecutors believe he or she is capable of distinguishing between right and wrong.

Although the public was barred from the courtroom, reporters admitted for part of the hearing said the boys showed no obvious signs of nervousness or distress. One youth was accompanied by his father and a lawyer, the second by a lawyer and a social worker. They glanced at one another on occasion, and spoke only to confirm their ages and identities.

A court officer later remanded them to the custody of local officials, who are keeping them in an undisclosed location pending further court action.

The formal arraignment of the boys comes as British politicians of nearly every stripe have seized on a growing sense of national outrage over the case to appeal for tougher

what many regarded as a shift to the right, called Monday for a campaign against burglaries and car theft as a way of cracking down on young offenders and freeing the police to tackle more serious crime.

Arguing that car thefts alone had increased by 56 percent since 1989, and that most involved young offenders, Labor politicians said that the police and local governments must target young people involved in such crimes, and that their elforts should include adopting measures that would require offenders to make swift restitution to their

At the same time, the government over the weekend said it was considering the introduction of tough new measures to lock up young offenders, including those under 15, Home Secretary Kenneth Clarke said courts needed broadened powers to detain youthful offenders. He called for new "powers to send really, persistent, nasty little juvenile offenders away somewhere where they will be looked after better and where they will be

In an interview with The Mail on Sunday. Prime Minister John Major called for a "public crusade" against lawlessness. "I feel strongly that society needs to condemn a little more and understand a little



Enjoying a Place in the Indian Sun

Chancellor Helmut Kohl of Germany relaxing in New Delhi at the end of a four-day visit, before leaving for Singapore on Monday. Earlier, he had said that even if Britain and Denmark failed to ratify the Treaty on European Union, the other 10 EC nations would proceed with unity plans.

MOZAMBIQUE: Emerging African Success Story

amo fighters are in the countryside with their arms in hand. They are doing almost nothing they are waiting to be fed. They can get

annoved Aldo Ajello, the UN special representative in Mozambique, said he hoped the demobilization of the rival forces could begin in April. The country's first elections, once planned for October, are tentatively scheduled for June or July of

Mr. Ajello said his superiors in enough troops volunteered for policing duty in Somalia, have had trouble finding countries interested in dispatching peacekeepers to Mozambique. The reasons, he said, were obvious: "Nobody is dying. Nobody is starving. We are not on

Of Mozambique's 15 million paralyzed, is moving. people, it is estimated that up to a million died in the war, that 1.5 million fled to squalid refugee camps in a half-dozen neighboring patch aid convoys on the highways. government hut "the war."

countries and that perhaps 3 million more were driven from their villages into overcrowded towns and cities.

Over the last two years, the misery was compounded by southern Africa's worst drought of the cen-

When Mr. Chissano and the rebel leader Afonso Dhlakama signed their peace accord in October after two years of international pressure, there was little confidence that either man could deliver what he promised.

Renamo was widely regarded as New York, who have more than an uncontrollable gang of young enough troops volunteered for powere badly demoralized, prone to looting sprees and occasional terrorism. Anarchy seemed the more probable fate of this hungry and gun-saturated land.

The most immediate sign of normality is that Mozamhique, long

Relief workers who relied on remore landing strips for their deliv-

Diplomats and journalists who had hunkered down in Manuto now explace the country by road. Sun worshipers mosey up the coast from Maputo for the more secluded Indian Ocean beaches.

Cities that had swollen with hungry and fearful people are now spilling their crowds back into the countryside, and those trapped for years behind Renamo lines have been allowed to leave, emerging with malnutrition, disease and tales

But among the civilians hrutalized by the war, there is a lack of vengefulness that is astonishing to an outsider. Some educated Mozambicans attribute it to fatalism, others to the ancient southern African tradition that vanquished enemies are incorporated into the tribe, and still others to a talent for postponing vengeance.

Perhaps it is simply fatigue with a war that people say made no sense to them. Time and again, victims almost shrugged off their suferies in Renamo areas now dis- fering hlaming not Renamo or the NDIA: New Delhi Braces for Rally of Angry Hindus Muslims of Bombay, crowds of protesters and normal visitors to

(Continued from page 1)

state power to gag and stifle the Bharativa Janata Party." And Murli Manahor Joshi, the

president of the Bharatiya Janata Party, accused the government of stifling democratic rights by preventing the demonstration.

Since hordes of Hindu extremists demolished a 16th century mosque in December in the northern holy town of Ayodhya, Hindu leaders have stepped up their pressure on the Congress government, believing that a ground swell of public opinion has shifted toward the indu movement.

The destruction of the mosque shed as Muslims exploded in rage the police. And last month, in a Iron flags, and the police said there sustained nine-day attack on the was little to distinguish between

government, he said, "wants to use young Hindu fanatics belonging to state power to gag and stifle the a group called Shiv Sena systematithe city. cally firebombed Muslim homes and businesses, killing more than

> On Monday, the people of Delhi were becoming more cautious in their movements, unsure of what will happen in the coming days. and especially Thorsday. The government's principal spokesman. S. Narendra, estimated that 500,000 Hindu activists had already entered

At the checkpoints leading into the city, the police were stopping cars and buses and ouestioning was followed by weeks of blood- their occupants. But for this protest, unlike previous ones, activists in towns and cities around India, are not arriving in waves, wearing and were frequently fired upon by saffron beadbands and waving saf-

Many here agreed that huge numbers of Hindu activists were already in the city. "These BJP sup-porters are now hiding out at the temples," said Rajendra Dass Mathur, a management consultant who lives in the capital's southern suburbs. Like an increasing number of people. Mr. Mathur said he intended to remain at home Thurs-

"I'm going to stay at home, and we have been advised by others in the neighborhood not to take any risks by going on the road. There is always a stray chance that a handful of people could create trouble. So why take the chance?"

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Beirut Set for Talks. **Christopher Says**

BEIRUT - Warren M. Christo-pher, the first U.S. secretary of state to visit Beirgt in nearly a decade, said Monday that the Lebanese government had assured him that it wanted Middle East peace talks to resume soon.

After 75 minutes of talks with President Elias Hrawi, Prime Minister Rafik Hariri and Foreign Minister Fans Bouez at the heavily guarded Defense Ministry on the eastern edge of the Lebanese capi-tal, Mr. Christopher said be had heard from the Lebanese leaders that they agree with other Middle Eastern leaders "that there should be an early return to the negotiations and parties should return to the table as soon as possible."

Asked at a news conference what he could have achieved during such brief talks, Mr. Christopher said, a commitment from the Lebanese government to resume negotiations as soon as possible."

Mr. Christopher spent two hours and 20 minutes in Lebanon before

flying back to Cyprus.

After brief talks with Cypriot leaders at the Larnaca airport, he flew on to Israel, the last stop on his weeklong Middle East mission aimed at reviving the peace talks that became stalled after Israel expelled about 400 Palestinians on

■ Palestinians Ease Stand Clyde Haberman of The New York Times reported from Jerusa-

Leaders of the Palestinian delegation to the talks said they would ell Mr. Christopher that their continued participation in the negotiations depends on an Israeli commitment to stop deporting Palestinians from the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

It is not essential that Israel immediately bring back all of the nearly 400 accused Islamic militants who were expelled in December and who remain at a tent camp. in southern Lebanon, Palestinian officials said.

They said they were willing to accept a timetable for a phased return. "We can discuss that," a senior official said. "But the most important thing is that there will be no deportations after that."

The delegates' stand on the eve of their first talks here with Mr. Christopher was similar to a suddenly more flexible position that had been taken Sunday by the hanthere is a big difference between

just looking for a way to get back home. The delegates are looking to the secretary of state for a solution that will enable them to return to the negotiating table without further damage to their already low credibility on Palestinian streets.

UN Teams Find No Iraqi Scuds .

BAGHDAD - Two testers of United Nations weapons inspectors joined forces Monday in an apparent hunt for Scud missiles that the United Nations suspects Iraq is hiding, but an Iraqi official said they found nothing.

Nikita Smidovitch, whose team of 20 inspectors flew in from Bahrain at dawn, said the surprise mspections of several sites were most specifically related to the

long-range missiles."
His team arrived in Iraq at about the same time as a team of 13 inspectors, which had been due to leave the country on Monday, an-nounced that it was staying on

nounced that it was staying on.
"It was a specific task to check
several sites," the Russian inspector said, "to check certain informa-He added: "In these locations

there might be items prohibited by 687," Mr. Smidovitch said at the end of the day's inspections. "It was an important visit." He was referring to Security Council Resolution 687, the Gul

War cease-fire document under which Iraq must dismantle its bio logical, chemical, nuclear and ballistic missile programs. ... It-was the first time two UN weapons teams have worked to-

gether in Iraq. Mr. Smidovitch de-clined to disclose what they discov-But Husam Mohammadamin, the Iraqi official in charge of coordinating the movements of the UN inspectors, told reporters: "They

visited three sites. They found pothing, this is great proof that we are hiding nothing."

The UN has said there is strong evidence traq is hiding about 100 of the Scud missiles of the type it fired to the scud missiles of the type it fired.

at Israel and Saudi Arabia in the Gulf War, Iraq denies it. Under the cease-fire terms, Iraq

ished Palestinians themselves. But is allowed to keep only missiles with a range shorter than 150 kilo-meters (95 miles). The rest will have The deportees are flatly opposed for be strapped along with the to peace talks with Israel and are means to produce them.

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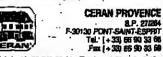
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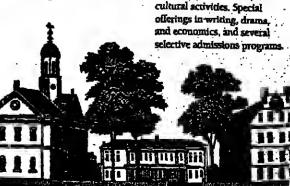
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CHECKUP — President Mobutu Sese Seko of Zaire leaving his dentist's office in Monaco on Monday. Marshal Mobutu was staying at his residence on the French Riviera, taking a break from a raging dispute with his country's parliament and its prime minister, Etienne Tshisekedi.

Vietnam and ASEAN Move to Strengthen Ties

By Michael Richardson International Herald Tribune

BANGKOK - In an effort to end residual Cold War divisions in Southeast Asia, senior officials of Vietnam and neighboring non-Communist countries endorsed a plan on Monday that would enable Hanoi to join the Association of South East Asian Nations. possibly within the next few years.

The proposals, drawn up by a group of experts from both sides, also recommend steps that would enable Vietnam join to a planned ASEAN free-trade area. The plan could eventually create a giant market of more than 400 million consumers in a region that has one of fastest rates of economic growth in the world.

Analysts said that the main recommendstions of the plan were likely to be adopted by ASEAN ministers.

In issuing their 97-page report, however, the experts cautioned against any attempt to seek the kind of close-knit economic and political union that has become increasingly controversial in Europe.

such a diverse region, it must "strive to be, not a supranational community as envisaged by proponents of the European Communi-ty's Maastrichi treaty, but a community of different nations and different peoples with their own identities" and policies.

Chuan Leekpai, the prime minister of Thailand, Anwar Ibrahim, the Malaysian finance minister, Presong Soonsiri, the Thai foreign minister, and Brigadier-General Jose T. Almonte, the national security adviser to the Philippine president, attended the launching of the report on Monday.

All four said that they supported closer links between ASEAN and Vietnam.

Until Vietnamese forces were withdrawn from Cambodia in 1989, ASEAN countries

— Brunei, Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore and Thailand — were strong critics of Hanoi.

But Nguyen Khanh, Vietnam's deputy prime minister, said that with the end of the

The maio task today, he said, "should be to strive for an economically strong and politically stable Southeast Asia and to successfully solve common problems of the region as a whole,"

In July, Vietnam and Laos signed a treaty of friendship with ASEAN and gained ob-server status at its annual ministerial meet-

Civil war in Cambodia and political repression by the military junta in Burma, however, have prevented ASEAN from developing closer ties with the remaining two countries in Southeast Asia.

Vietnam has indicated that while it seeks to join ASEAN, it will not accept an end to Communist rule as the price for member-

Officials of some ASEAN countries have in the past expressed concern that Vietnam's early entry into ASEAN will weaken cohesion of the group and slow its progress toward economic integration.

Apparently taking account of these con-cerns, the Vietnamese and ASEAN experts said that new links should be forged between ASEAN, its planned free trade area and

Vietnam. These would include the holding of annual ASEAN-Vietnam ministerial meetings, regular exchanges of high-level military delega-tions, and ASEAN assistance to Vietnam in

extending free-market economic changes. Mr. Chuan, the Thai prime minister, said that if Southeast Asia was to build durable cooperation, present and potential conflicts, such as those in Cambodia and over disputed islands in the South China Sea, must be

resolved by peaceful means.

He added that while democracy must not be imposed from outside and the pace of progress would vary from country to country, "a government that responds to the needs, addresses the plight and protects the common interests of the public has a better chance" of sustaining popular support.

North Korea, Blaming U.S., Rebuffs Inspectors

with the International Atomic Energy Agency over ouclear inspec-

A Pyongyang government report

accused "some people of the IAEA secretariat" of bowing to U.S. pressure by demanding that its inspec-

The report was issued just before-

member board of governors met in Called civilian nuclear plants.

Vienna, with North Korea's refusal

Now, it complains, the age to allow inspectors to visit two nuclear sites at the top of the agenda.

At the same time, the official North Korean daily Rodong Sinmun issued a warning that the North would refuse the inspectors entry, even at the price of confrontation with the world community.

"If a 'special inspection' or 'sancinviolable soil of our country is. infringed upon by big powers, it into the holocaust of a war," the paper said.

Kong oewspaper said Monday.

leak information to readers outside China.

The 2,977 delegates, elected from local peo-

ple's congresses, will vote for top state posts at

Pao said.

North Korea, which denies U.S. obliged to show them to the agen-TOKYO — North Korea took a Korean military sites unconnected and South Korean assertions that it cy. hard line on Monday in its dispute to its nuclear program. weapons, agreed last year to allow the United Nations agency's 35. international inspection of what it

Now, it complains, the agency

has unilaterally added two more sites to the agreed list of plants. The North insists it will oot comply. In Vienna, the agency's secre-

tary-general, Hans Blix, briefed delegations and the talks were expected to result in a special request to visit the sites, a spokesman said. The installations suspected by

the West of being centers for develtions' are forced on us and the. oping nuclear weapons are in Yongbyon. The North Korean government report said that "the two transition to the international force would result in plunging the whole in Somalia, Mr. Gore said: "None land of the North and the South are military facilities which have nothing to do with nuclear activi-rea is entering an impasse. No one, Assembly, Mr. Kim pl ties and, accordingly, we are not not even old allies China and Rus-his cabinet on Friday. nothing to do with nuclear activi-

The agency says it is simply trying to complete an inventory of North Korea's nuclear material and cannot complete its job if its inspectors, who have already visited the country six times, cannot go to Yongbyon.

Analysts here said Pyongyang's defiance might be brinkmanship, and that the leadership might back down after mid-April, when U.S. and South Korean troops end an annual joint military exercise on

the peninsula. "If North Korea continued to refuse for long, then it could face 'challeoge inspections' by the IAEA or sanctions by the UN Security Council," said Masao Okonogi of Keio University. "North Ko-

■ Kim Picks 2 Key Aides

President-elect Kim Young Sam on Monday named the economist Hwang In Sung 67, the governing party's chief policymaker, as prime minister in what was seen as an effort to revive South Korea's troubled ecocomy, The Associated Press reported from Seoul.

He picked a Supreme Court justice. Lee Hoi Chang, 58, to head the government's main audit body, the Office of Audit and Inspection, in an apparent display of his resolve to clean up bureaucratic corrup-

Mr. Kim will be inaugurated on Thursday, If Mr. Hwang is con-firmed that day by the National Assembly, Mr. Kim plans to form

7 Killed as Militias Clash in Somali Port

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches MOGADISHU, Somalia - At least 7 people were killed and 21 wounded Mooday in five hours of fighting between Somali militias in

the southern port of Kismaya, the U.S. military command said. A U.S. military spokesman, Colooel Fred Peck, said the multinational force led by the United States had imposed an overnight

curfew in the city. "Fighting is oow over," he said. He added that it was "definitely a setback for peace in the region." Colooel Peck said the fighting

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had broken out between supporters of Colonel Omer Jess, who controls the fighting, U.S. troops would go Kismayu, and about 150 people ahead with plans to pull out. The loyal to General Mohammed Said

Colooel Peck said the fighting bad set back plans to hold a ceremony Tuesday to transfer command of the city to 650 Belgian troops from about 1,000 U.S.

troops.

The U.S. military wants to transfer control of the 22-nation force to the United Nations in the oext few weeks and bring most of the U.S.

fighting might hold them up by a

day or two, be said.

ated Press reported from San Jose,

Asked about the slow pace of the of this is a big surprise, but it is nevertheless quite important for the UN to move more quickly."

Mr. Gore also distanced the administration from remarks by Richard L. Armitage, a senior State Department official held over temporarily from the Bush administration, who said in a recent speech that President Boris N. Yeltsin of Russia was "just about at the end of his usefulness."

"He was certainly not speaking for the administration when he made those remarks," Mr. Gore said Sunday, adding that Mr. Clinton and the Russian leader "speak periodically by telephone." "We wish him well," Mr. Gore

Clinton administration is urging said of Mr. Yeltsin, "and are in a continuing dialogue with him on problems of mutual concern and opportunity and building the friendship between our countries."

Beijing Sets the Stage to Jettison Its President The decision to drop Mr. Yang, 85, bad been

widely expected. BEIJING - President Yang Shangkun of Western diplomats say they believe that the China apparently will be replaced when the National People's Congress, or parliament, meets next month, a Beijing-controlled Hong man most likely to replace him is the party's general secretary, Jiang Zemin, who will serve

in both positions concurrently. Mr. Jiang has been named by the 88-year-old senior leader, Deng Xiaoping, as the "core" of the political succession. Elevating him to the largely ceremonial position of president would Mr. Yang's name was not on the list of delegates to the annual session, which opens here March 15, the Hong Kong daily Ta Kung give him an international role he does oot have Also dropped was the current congress chair-man, Wan Li.

Mr. Yang's five-year term ends this year, and "Observers believe they will not accept comi-. diplomats say he is being replaced mainly benation to these leading positions," according to the newspaper, which is often used by Benjing to cause of his advanced age.

Some speculated, however, that Mr. Deng would find his departure convenient for pobli-

"It's part of the sidelining of Yang," an envoy said. "He's still pretty sprightly, but the

job is for five years, so it's a good time to get rid of him now.

Mr. Yang's half-brother, Yang Baibing, was abruptly dropped from his top military posts during the Communist Party's 14th Congress in October.

It is widely believed that Mr. Deng was afraid he was building a personal support base in the army and preparing to seek supreme

■ Security Law Passed

Partiament on Mooday passed China's first national security law, which anthorizes the suppression of any threat to the Communist Party or to economic policy, Agence France-Presse

reported, quoting state television.

Observers said the passage of the legislation also indicated that the authorities wanted to bring their vast KGB-style security network under legal supervision.

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Paul Smith: The Measure

ARIS - The store in the bosom of the French capital is British to the core: mahogany fittings, gentlemen's ties laid out on a sturdy table; stately portraits of domestic animals in Victorian dress. Animals? Well, as Paul Smith says, he did more or less invent the phrase "classic with a twist."

Smith is tall, gangly, unassuming and a phenomenal success story — especially in British fashion, which is known for creative ideas, not business acumen. The shop he has just opened on the Boulevard Raspail on the Left Bank is one of 79 worldwide, including one in downtown Manhattan. His menswear business

grossed £50 million in 1992, 60 percent in Japan.
"I am bigger there than Armani and Chanel," be says—the closest be gets to blowing his own trumpet. Smith's elaim to fame is that he has succeeded in making regular men believe that fashion is for them -

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not just the preserve of show-offs, arty types and gays. Challenging the stereotype has been more significant than the fashions he has promoted, which include all the colors fit to knit for men's sweaters; funky ties and wild shirts to go with regular suits; and boxer shorts as yuppie underwear. He is also known for selling among the clothes and accessories a mix of quirky designer-fetish objects from fat fountain pens to classic kettles. "My fault as a designer is that I don't have enough

of a vision, it is far too broad - but that immediately

becomes my strength," he says.

The swanky new Paris store and the warren of interconnecting boutiques in London's Covent Garden tell the same story. Smith puts nostalgia into the period decor and wit in ties or cufflinks made from typewriter keys. But the menswear is just a modern mix of easy pieces at reasonable prices — £500 (about \$725) for a suit and from £200 for a jacket.

There is nothing that would make a man ridiculous and plenty that his partner might covet. After a long gestation, Smith has finally decided to launch a wom-

gestation, omits has finally decided to launch a word-en's wear collection for spring 1994.

"By popular demand," he says, "I am absolutely not a designer of clothes for women, but 15 percent of our sales are to women. It will be very low-key, It's something that I am nervous about, but quietly confident

Smith's latest collection is built on the concept of giving customers a tad extra: not just a vest, but a hippie-revival look in ethnic brocade; the new short coat, cut lean and dandified; an impeccable business suit with a flashy lining. He is also fanatical about

The principle of no compromise was how Smith, 46, started in business in 1970 in a small shop in Nottingham, in the north of England, which opened only on Friday and Saturday while the rest of the week was spent "earning money to live."

He still has the larger Nottingham shop be moved to in 1974. He is also still in the same relationship he formed at 21 with Pauline Denyer, a graduate from London's Royal College of Art who was then married, with two children. The eldest now works for him.

"Paul Smith the company wouldn't have been in existence if it wasn't for Pauline." he says. "In the beginning I had youth, energy, cuthusiasm. She gave

Of True Brit Menswear me confidence. She designed everything. She taught me about cut, quality and proportion."

Smith's fashion culture has also included packing. making bultonholes, and taking care of customers. "A lot of designers fail because they forget who pays the wages," he claims.

Among his customers are David Hockney, Mick Jagger and architect Richard Rogers. Without realizing a lot of my customers are very creative people, writers, photographers," he says. "They are clothes for

writers, photographers," he says. "I ney are crouses for people who just know. They don't need a polo player." (A reference to the status symbol of Ralph Lauren).

At first glance, Smith's Paris shop seems part of the Old England nostalgia, much peddled in continental Europe and highly polished in the United States by Ralph Lauren. But Smith's version is laced with irony, from the bank notes stuck to the floor of the changing rooms to the pictures that he says "just happen to from the bank notes stuck to the floor of the changing rooms, to the pictures that be says "just happen to have dogs' heads." In homes in London and Tuscany, there are serious modern paintings.

Smith called his last collection "True Brit" — an ironic reference to "what the world sees as Britishness: the waxed jacket, Harris tweed and Shetland knits — the propert of a with leaving on the bounct of a wintage.

always to do with leaning on the bonnet of a vintage car in front of a stately home — it's about entering a certain club that is seen as upper class."

From his bicycle (his long legs made him a teenage champion) Smith saw England as it really was: grand

Chatsworth House cheek-by-jowl with "18 serious coal

The British menswear store Hackett celebrates the The British menswear store Hackett celebrates the tribal totems of the upper class and Lauren promotes a squeaky-clean rural idyll. But Smith has no nostalgia for the squire in his tweeds and the English gentleman in his frock coat and top hat. He just has memories of "Derby tweeds worn by a miner" that he transforms as unexpected mixes of color and check.

"I try and choose what is trank British," he says citing

"I try and show what is truly British," he says, citing the "mod" fashions in England in the 1960s when ordinary lads took to wearing bespoke suits.

If Smith has an image, it is about taking elements of current fashion and mixing them. He also has a child-hood manner; at 0 of arise to an anature of Sunday and

hood memory, at 9, of going to see aunty on Sunday and sitting in the front room with "all that shyness and nervousness," and part of his mission is to make clothes in which people feel relaxed. He also has a mission in improve what he describes as

"the image of the job," believing that the dubious reputation of men's fashion, and the gay factor discourages potential students and employers from taking the business seriously. He will discuss design education with Evaluad's industry minimum this reach with England's industry minister this month.

On a personal level, he keeps an open door in his London studio-loft for students whom he advises to do as he did: to start off earning money keeping design deas as just "a little bit of purity" for themselves.

FTER the vigorous growth in Japan, where Smith has been 31 times in the last 10 years, he believes that his business still has enormous potential. The American operation, for example, is very small. He says that every week he turns down serious propositions for marketing and

What do the businessmen see in this no-nonsense designer with a name that is a byword in England for Mr. Ordinary? Maybe, as he strides in, they catch a glimpse of the sunshine orange silk lining to the plain



Paul Smith and his new Paris store; at right, his classic menswear with a twist: vested suit, oversize checked jacket and bicolor cardigan.

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GHOSTS OF STYLES PAST New York Times Service

EW YORK - I am sitting at an oval table made from fallen cherry tree in the Tea Room and Art Space of Felissimo, a place where I am supposed to feel in harmony with myself and all of life.

It is lunchtime. I am drinking my unstrained apple juice from pressed green apples, in a glass gobiet that can be described only as perfection. I am trying to experience renewal. But I am experiencing latique instead.

Within these walls in this turnof-the-century town house nn West 56th Street, a building that has been converted into the next generation of department store, I am being haunted by the Ghosts of Styles Past.

Do my eyes deceive me, or is that undulating terra-cotta wall the Ghost of Zona, that aromatic, once-revulutionary emporium of Tuscan and Santa Fe style? Is that soap cushion with the

small pebbles sewn into stainlesssteel mesh so fine it feels like fahric the Ghost of Sointu, the late design store on East 69th Street, or of all those froggy green oxidized metal objets we can't stand to look at

anymore?

Is that spiky-shaped muslin pillow that looks like a starfish on hallucinogens the Ghost of Philippe Starck's Toothbrushes? Do all the young and heaviiled calon all the young and beautiful sales-people swathed in black come from the Royalton Hotel? Or is it the Paramount? They look happy here. I want to be happy here.

I am supposed to be happy here,

listening to the indoor waterfall, my napkin wrapped with a band and a twig, contemplating full-leaf tea in its "pure, simple, natural form" surrounded by objects that minimalize waste.

ERHAPS it's just the jadedness that comes with age. I am older now. I have survived a whole decade in which the objects one chose to live with were supposed to say something meaningful, then lost their meaning in a weiter of materialism. I have lived through Art Furniture, Ralph Lauren and Shabby Chic. I am old enough now to rememher when the Tizio lamp was

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play. The rooms were lush, rich an comfortable. They played up class consciousness and made you pit for the world of Kipling. Zona, which opened on Great

Street in 1985, was also a reaction

tals, as if they were art. Here were the icons of a perfect world. They to hard edges. The very scent of the place made you want to buy thing were objects that would make life But they weren't just things. better. You could buy them. ln its early days, anyway, t In the 1980s, the spare empori-ums of SoHo were filled with Art Soleri bells, Tuscan tableware a other objects for sale at Zona sylbolized a rebellion against techn Furniture. At its best, Art Furniture was supposed to humanize design because it carried the imprint

the earth.

slipcovers.

worship and the hyper-intellectuized "design object."
Walking into Zona (assumithere wasn't a half-hour wait to) of the individual artisan's mind and hand. Art Furniture photographed in), you were instantly immersed Much of it looked dazzling but an environment that felt far av was uncomfortable and expensive from New York, reconnected v and it soon became fodder for sight

Shabby Chic, shower

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gags about the despicable denizens Zona embraced some of of movies like "Ruthless People" handmade, folk-arty ethos of and "Beetle-juice." 1960s and made a subliminal o The Ghosts of Art Furniture are here at Felissimo, in burled wood nection between spirtuality a shopping. The music and scent of boxes and lyre-shaped chairs. The ated a pacific Zona Zen. It was ghosts of Clodagh Ross Williams. antithesis of much of Philip the now-defunct store in the East Starck's work, much of which Village that was once a mecca for spiky and ornery and relentle magazine stylists seeking forwardthinking props, are here, too (which VENTUALLY, we makes sense: Felissimo was de-

signed by Clodagh, now on her Established in 1986, Clodagh Ross Williams specialized in mem- er imitators. It was a cross between the plush upholstered world orable objects during an era in Ralph Lauren and the current i which objects were trophies, as Owen Edwards, an author, calls cept of eco-purity. The archer Shabby Chic furniture was o them, and it was O. K. to lust after THINGS. (Nancy Reagan did.) stuffed club chairs with m Among the most memorable was the concrete telephone. still wearing muslin, as every ionable, self-respecting ghost

Design once felt almost holy. I

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pens, called writing instruments.

displayed behind glass or on pedes-

well in design magazines.

The Ghost of the Concrete Telephone may be found at Felissimo in the form of a poured concrete light that looks like a dinosaur's egg. It is an intriguing object, in an ugly-beautiful sort of way.

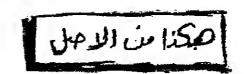
Sensing that concrete telephones were nnt what most Americans yearned for, Ralph Lauren opened his Polo store on Madison Avenue in 1986. In his hands, life got lay-ered and velvety and paisley, with plump cushions and overstuffed everythings. Rooms became stage sets in

which it was impossible not to role-

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A Pretty Good Plan

The Clinton economic plan envisions an . America that provides "rising living standards for all its citizens." The lofty goal may not be reached, but that should not detract from Bill Clinton's achievement: He has put forward a credible, honest plan for government, after 12 years of less than benign neglect, to help put America's economic bouse in order.

President Clinton's vision stakes out three objectives. Speed recovery to put millions of Americans back to work as soon as possible; cut the long-term deficit to pump money into private capital markets; and retarget government spending away from consumption and toward investment.

The plan - which has gained important backing from Alan Greenspan, the Federal Reserve chairman — moves on all three fronts. However, Mr. Clinton's pobtical antennae kept him from doing more, faster. There is room for Congress to improve the plan. But it would be just fine to adopt the plan as is and fine-tune later.

Stimulating recovery: Unemployment is higher now than when the recession ended almost two years ago, and the number of unemployed workers who will never regain their old jobs is near record levels. Mr. Clinton proposes a two-year, \$30 billion stimulus package, split evenly between spending increases and tax cuts for private investors. To make a sizable dent in unemployment, the package would need to be twice that size in each of the next two years. And there is a danger that the plan could make matters worse. Deficit reductions kick in early next year when the economy may still be too sick to weather the blow. Congress could improve the plan by legislating the deficit cuts now but phasing them in starting in 1995.

Cutting the deficit: Mr. Clinton's cuts are

substantial and fair. Take 1997, the end of his term, as a point of reference. The deficit would be cut from about \$350 billion to \$200 billion — a fiscally safe target. And, unlike the numbers manufactured during the Reagan-Bush years, Mr. Clinton's esti-mates appear credible.

Taxing energy is a smart idea for Ameri-

ca. It encourages conservatioo, discourages pollution and, not incidentally, raises

money for a government that desperately

needs it. If there is a point on which

President Bill Clinton's proposal is open

to criticism, it is that his tax is too small to

make any great difference in the way peo-

The tax is set to raise about \$22 billion a

year by 1997, when it is to be fully phased

in. That means \$230 a year for the average

household. It looks as if roughly half of it would typically be paid directly by the household in utilities bills and the higher

cost of gasoline. The other half would be

passed along io the form of higher prices by businesses, or perhaps some of it would

Fuels would be taxed equally on their

energy content, with one important excep-

tion. Oil products would be taxed at more

than twice the rate of the others. There is

gasoline, contributes more than its share

to the pollution of the air in American

cities. Holding down oil usage also reduces

the country's vuloerability to the periodic

Industries that use disproportionately

President Bill Clinton, faithful to his

campaign promises, has acted swiftly to remove many of the Reagan-Bush barriers

to the exercise of abortion rights. Some of

the changes were made easily, by revoking

regulations and issuing executive orders.

Others require legislation, and strong sig-

nals bave already been sent to Congress

that the measures vetoed by his predeces-sors would be signed by Mr. Clinton. But

the case of RU-486, the so-called French

abortion pill, presents an entirely different

problem that cannot be solved by the White

House or the Hill. Instead, a foreign manu-

facturer must be persuaded to enter the

potentially lucrative American market not-

withstanding company fears that such a

The pilt is marketed in Europe and in

step would be against its own interests.

convulsions in world oil supplies.

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be absorbed by them.

good reason for it. Ou, t

Too Modest a Tax

Americans Want the Pill

Under the plan, most new taxes would fall on the rich, who benefited the most from the tax party President Ronald Reagan threw in the 1980s. The poor are protected. And middle-income families would pay a reasonable amount — primarily about \$100 to \$150 a year in higher utility bills and gasoline prices.

Although fair, the specific proposal Mr. Clinton makes for taxing the rich creates a danger. Wealthy families would pay a tax of 40 percent or more on ordinary income but only 28 percent on capital gains income profit from the sale of investments. That

difference will drive accountants to recreate tax shelters wiped out by the 1986 tax reform, which equalized rates on ordinary and capital gains income. The useless but tax-subsidized office buildings that litter the Southwest are sickening testimony to a code that rewarded investors who put their money where taxes were low rather than

where productivity was high.

Spurring investment: In 1997, Mr. Clinton proposes spending cuts and tax increases totaling \$200 billion, yet the deficit would fall by only \$150 billion. The difference is used to subside private investors and pay used to subsidize private investors and pay for new public investments. Here he would spend thinly rather than deeply, on highways, education, worker training, childhood preventive care and many other initiatives.

Investing an extra \$50 billion in a \$6 trillion economy might not seem like a big deal. And tolerating deficits of \$200 billion or more may seem cowardly. Indeed, the or more may seem cowards. Indeed, the programs will not pay off big next year, or even in the next decade. But what is important about the plan is its new direction. Washington will consume a bit less, invest a bit more. Private citizens will do likewise. After a couple of decades, the difference can be dramatic. Americans once saw their living standards double every generation. At cur-rent rates of saving and investment it would take a century or more. Small increases in savings and investment can eventually mean the difference between superpower and economic has-been. Just ask Britain.

—THE NEW YORK TIMES.

large amounts of energy may be sharply affected. But the effect of this tax on the

economy as a whole will be too small to be

visible to the naked eye. A large and sudden

jump in energy prices can tip the economy

into recession, as the oil market has demon-

strated three times to 20 years. But consum-

ers, both industrial and private, have be-

come well accustomed to adjusting to the

moderate and continuous fluctuations that

have become the normal pattern. The pro-

posed energy tax is oot large to comparison

with those season-to-season fluctuations.

Stoce it will arrive in stages, many consumers may oot even notice it. That is a big

advantage from a politician's point of view,

After oil prices began to soar to the early

1970s, taking the prices of other fuels with them, Americans rapidly learned to use

energy much more efficiently. But since oil

prices fell seven years ago there has been

no more progress. It is time to remind the

country again that it is possible to live

benefit of greater efficiency is a cleaner

environment. Mr. Clinton's energy tax

would deliver that message, although it

to persuade the Europeans to be bold, they

have embarked on a new approach: finding

another source for the drug. A Chinese man

ufacturer has developed a product very similar to the French one, and last week a group called Abortion Rights Mobilization said it

would begin private testing of the pill. If in fact it does duplicate RU-486 and proves to be safe and effective, an American company

-preferably a small one unafraid of boycott

Food and Drug Administration.

will be found to apply for approval by the

Now that they have a commercial rival,

the French may decide to enter the American

market rather than lose it. It was foolish to believe that a scientifie discovery of this kind

could be kept indefinitely from the millions

of women who need it. The election results in

America should have given courage to the

manufacturers. Perhaps the prospect of com-

-THE WASHINGTON POST.

would deliver the message very mildly.

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but not from a conservationist's.

Better to Pay for the Weapons' Destruction

OPINION

WASHINGTON — Necessary for the capitalists who own a small electronics firm in California or a big tank engine factory in Germany, globalization now also drives the policies of a giant arms manufacturing enterprise that recenty underwent traumatic restructuring and downsizing: the Russian government.

The Kremlin, like everybody else, is energetically trying to reorganize its foreign markets and military manufacturing base with help from abroad. The Russian effort presents the United

States with nothing but hard choices.

When Warren Christopher meets Andrei Kozyrev io Geneva on Thursday, the secretary of state will hear a high-priority proposal on coop-eration to arms sales from the Russian foreign minister. Mr. Kozyrev will ask the United States to carve out a piece of the lucrative Middle East arms market for the Russians and open up Western markets for Russia weapons exports as well.

He will argue that this would help Moscow pursue three policies that serve U.S. interests—
if, as expected, he repeats the message outlined Russian diplomats to recent conversations with U.S. officials.

Gaining access to U.S.-dominated markets in Sandi Arabia and elsewhere would allow Moscow to continue its costly embargoes against former clients Iraq, Libya and other bad actors. Boris Yeltsin's government, under serious assaultfrom hard-line nationalists and ex-Communists, could then argue that it had replaced the rogues with better (that is, richer) clients and gain some political breathing space at home.

Second, the Russians would promise to use

the proceeds from this sales cartel not to prop up but to convert their enormous "military industrial complex" to the manufacturing of

civilian consumer goods.
Finally, cooperation with the West would help the Kremlin prevent illegal black market deals, which could include everything "up to and including strategie [nuclear] weapons," Mr. Kozyrev recently told the Russian parliament. Look on this as economie aid, the Russians

suggest, that does not cost the American taxpayer. Beneath their words is the ultimate sublin sales pitch: Help us sell these weapons, or they will come back to haunt you in the hands of rogue nations or of the Russian hard-liners who will follow Mr. Yeltsin if democracy in Russia fails. Does that argument sound logical? Or loony? Or, alas, both logical and loony?

It is loony because it treats weapons as just another set of consumer goods rather than as By Jim Hoagland

unique, cost-impervious tools of foreign policy and national survival. Down this road, market share would replace ideology and strategic balance as the guiding principle of alliance management. But one U.S. official who has listened at length to the Russian cartel pitch says the proposal is one that Washington must seriously consider. The logic of Russia's desperate situation, and of the

reorganization of the world arms bazaar that is under way, gives the idea a strange credibility. So do the multibillion sales of warplanes to Taiwan and Saudi Arabia that President George Bush suddenly pulled out of his hat during the

presidential campaign last autumn. Mr. Bush made no bones about the sales involving jobs first and military strategy a distant second.

The Russians say their attempt to sell arms abroad now is solely about jobs. So do the

French, the British and others.

The trend toward paying for or defraying the cost of national production lines by selling arms

abroad oo a large scale began 30 years ago. France and the United States pioneered the way. They have been joined by all of Europe and large Third World producers such as Brazil and India, who are pushing weapons on anyone who can pay or promise to pay as a way of saving jobs. The collapse of the domestic market for ex-Societ weapons adds to the content. ket for ex-Soviet weapons adds to the oversupply and chaos in the markets.

But forming a giant cartel to push arms on others and force market sharing is a poor way of protecting American or Russian interests. Buying Russian weapons and destroying them, or paying the Russians to do that, is a slightly less absurd option for Washington and should be considered. Congress endorsed this approach on a modest scale last year by appropriating \$300 million to pay for the dismantling of Russian nuclear warheads.

The new Russian sales pitch signals that it is time for the Clinton administration to lead a much larger Western effort to keep dangerous

Russian weapons off the world market. The Washington Post.



Australia: How Much Free Market, and How Fast?

mateb between the Labor Party prime minister, Paul Keating, a mas-ter of vitriolic rhetoric, and the opposition Liberal Party leader, John Hewson, an economist who has yet to prove his political metale.

not just for Australians, in focusing attention on the state of the nation. Australia has the third largest economy in the Asia-Pacific region after Japan and China. Its condition matide world, to financial stability and to open trade. Australia's per capita foreign debt is one of the highest, and its currency among the most heavily traded relative to the

size of the economy. Take your pick of these alternative definitions of Australia:

financial mismanagement, hamstrung by archaie work practices, insularity, over-government and under-tovestment, and with social attitudes and educational standards that are inappropriate to competition io a dy-

· The country that has undergone more rapid economic adjustment than almost any developed country in

average inflation, despite being a principal victim of Europe's protec-tionist agricultural policy. It is also a country that has maintained a high degree of social and political stability while adjusting the ethnic mix of its

Both definitions are partly true. The

the need for a more outward-looking, flexible, skill-based economy.

dose of free market reform recommended by Mr. Hewson. Or whether Labor policies are achieving the same

Given unemployment of about 11 percent of the work force, the foreign debt mountain and an appalling re-

Labor state governments, Labor would be expected to lose a federal election in normal circumstances, But the voters seem nervous about the Hewson medicine, Mr Keating is shrewdly describing his opponent as an ideologue who will wreak havoc on the economy and society.

Although modified late last year under pressure from opinion polis, Mr. Hewson's tax and tariff proposals could be an election loser. Both sides look to New Zealand: Labor to show the pain of strong doses of free market medicine, the opposition to demon-strate what can be achieved in reforming a nation long addicted to foreign borrowing to support state welfare services and inefficient industries.

The policy objectives of the government and opposition in Australia are than the rhetoric suggests. There is consensus on the need for a more outward-looking, flexible, skill-based economy. Nonetheless, the key question in the election is whether the country's state is so parlous as to

demand radical change.
Some years ago, Mr Keating himself warned of the danger of Australia slipping toward "banana republie" status, with massive debts and an ever declining currency. What has been done to reverse the slide?

The statistics are troubling. The most obvious is the foreign debt. which has ballooned to around 150 billion Australian dollars, from 8.5 billion at the end of 1981. It is now around 40 percent of GNP, a level well above that of major Latin

this problem by stashing allocations to the field offices of its develop-

ment-oriented ministries, which were

generously funded by the previous

regime. Last year many could scarce-

ly afford to pay their employees. Spending bas picked up this year. Nonetheless, officials in the field still

complain that there is no money for

things like medicine and rural clinics.
Delays in disbursing funds to many
field offices until halfway through the

financial year have had a further crip-

pling effect. This has begun to erode

the new government's popularity among villagers, who cast 85 percent of the votes in elections.

Parliament is dominated by mon-

eyed, urban-oriented politicians who

do not see the dangers that this poses

for the future. They focus on the popular mood in cities, where mass demon-

strations brought down the previous

government. But the logic of Bangla-

desh's new democracy requires major

Most rural voters are desperately

poor. Thus, it is in the interest of the

new government to become the first

in the country's history to get serious about poverty alleviation. But despite

much rhetoric, nothing of substance is contemplated. Nor is there much

effort at forging partnerships with nongovernmental organizations that

do impressive work among the rural

poor. Insecure politicians see the re-

markable capacity of these organiza-

tions to accomplish things with limit-

ed resources as a threat rather than as

an opportunity to improve their con-

If these trends continue, the

achievements of Bangladesh's demo-

cratie experiment, which are so wel-

come amid the maybem elsewhere in

the world, could be put at grave risk.

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tics. He contributed this comment to

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stituents' wretched lot.

concessions to the rural majority.

the Australian economy averaged 2.5 percent a year. While satisfactory at first glance, this expansion was paid for entirely by foreigners. Worse, the borrowing splurge mainly financed high consumption and overinvestment in commercial property: The foreign debt is often treated.

rather lightly in Australia because it has, so far, been easily financed, Officials assert that the country, with its rich resources, clearly has the capacity to repay creditors. The overseas debt is mostly owed by the private sector and thus is of no direct official concern. Nonethcless, it will hang

over the economy for years.

Australia may be close to being in a debt trap. Exports of goods and services are now in surplus, but interest and dividend payments are keeping the annual current account 12 billion Australian dollars in the red. To service the debl and actueve cent rate of economic growth needed to start shrinking unemployment will require a buge turnabout in the terms of trade, or a massive shift to resources from consumption to exports. Yet national savings, for years well below the OECD average, have fallen even further.

On the brighter side, inflation has collapsed and is now the lowest among OECD countries. Structural change in the economy is under way. Reflecting an increasingly outward-looking and internationally competitive position, Australia's exports as a proportion of GDP have risen to 23 percent, from only 14 percent a decade ago. The country has been pulled along by Asian countries, its main trading partners and source of tourists.

Although Mr. Hewson promises a complete freeing up of a union-domi-nated labor market, the process is already taking place as old industries wither and recession takes its toll on centralized wage fixing. Whichever party is to power, the long overdue reform of inefficient ports, railways

and other utilities will continue. However, reform has so far done nothing to raise savings and end the borrowing binge. Mr. Hewson's tax package, which would probably cut consumption and raise profits and household savings, might make a dent.

Whatever the government, there is a pressing need for reform to show results before foreign creditors, who have been remarkably indulgent, impose their own market solution. That would be very painful and would perhaps kill the anti-protectionist consensus that now prevails.

Either way, Australia faces a decade of discomfort.

But Wasn't A Traitor By Shareen Blair Brysac

She Spied

N EW YORK — At 6:57 P.M. on Feb. 16, 1943, in Berlin's Plots-ensee prison, Mildred Harnack Fish, university instructor in American inerature, translator and American chizen, was beheaded. Her name was entered in the official death register along with 52 others for that day. She had been translating Grethe in her cell, and as the hour of her death approached the prison chip-lain heard her final words: "And I

have loved Germany so much." Few lives and legends so typify the vicissitudes of 20th-century instant as hers, yet today she is barely remembered in Germany and America Born Mildred Fish in 1902 in Mil-wankee, of English ancestry, she wit-

'And I have loved Germany so much.

nessed the ordeal of the German Americans who were assailed as disloyal during World War I. While attending the University of Wiscon. sin, she met and married a young sin, she met and married a young German economist, Arvid Hamack. Mildred Hamack-Fish joined her husband in Germany in 1929 in time to experience the last agonies of the Weimar Republic and Hitler's rise to power in 1933. When they stayed and Mr. Harnack became an official in the Third Reich's Economics Ministry American friends were horified. try, American friends were bomilied that the Harnacks had "gone Nazi."
In truth, at enormous risk, the Hap nacks had organized a leftist resistance group composed of more than

130 men and women; soldiers and administrators, intellectuals and workers, Christians and atheists, so. cial democrats and Communists

Beginning in 1933 the given arranged the escape of dissidents and

Jews, disseminated clandestine newsletters with unreported speeches by Roosevelt and Churchill, and passed economic information, gathered by Arvid Harnack, to the U.S. and Soviet Embassies in Berlin.
During Hitler's greatest wartime titumphs, they carried out industrial sab-

umphs, they carried out industrial saborage, urged foreign slave laborage in revolt, put up anti-Nazi posters, published an illegal newspaper and passed military intelligence to a Soviet Union then tottering under Hitler's assault.

Viewed by the Nazis as part of a Europe-wide Soviet espionage neathers. those sending monitored messages were called the Red Orchestra, be-

cause the group's radio "concerts" were bearned at Moscow. In 1942, after having rounded up the Brissels underground learn; the Germans were able to identify the leaders of the Harnack group. More han 100 Berlin members were seized.

On Dec. 19, 1942, after a secret trial by a military court, Mildred Harnack: Fish was sentenced to six years at hard labor. Mr. Hamack was hanged. Hitler reviewed Mrs. Harnack-Fish's verdict and ordered her remail. Tried was sentenced to death. Historians generally dislike lost causes and few are as lost or misun-derstood as that of the German Resistance. As the scholar Ricards, Huch said in 1946. "It was not grant-

only granted to them to die. In moral terms it was relatively simple to be in the Dutch or French Resistance; there was no conflict with patriotism. But for Germans, resistance could be tantamount to treason. Words like "espionage," "treason" and "Red" are not neutral, and until recently the Harnack group was reviled to West Germany. During Germany's division, two bteratures were spawned, two traditions of "good"

ed to them to save Germany; it was

and "bad" resistance. To the West Germans, the Red Orchestra consisted of spies, traitors to the Fatherland, because they gave military information to the Soviets. To East Germans, the Red Orchestra was heroic because it fought against the fascist regime; it also seemed to strengthen the postwar Communist regime's claim to legitimacy.

Last year, relatives and survivors of the resistance from West and East Germany met for the first time, at a meeting honoring the Red Orchestra. As Cold War passions wane, a healing truth has been propounded by younger scholars. A deep love of Germany was common to all conspir-ators, and the real measure of their

deeds was moral, not political.

Hitler was the true traitor. Con fronting that historical reality is the surest way of confronting neo-Nazi in a newly united Germany.

The writer is preparing a biography of Mildred Harnack-Fish. She contribute this comment to The New York Tune

IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AG

1893: Banker Suicides

There has been a sensational sequel to the insolvency of Messrs. Barker, the London banking firm. Mr. Hilton Barker was to have appeared at the Mansion House yesterday [Feb. 22], charged with fraud, but it transpired that he had surrendered to a higher court. While traveling by train to the Mansion House, he shot himself with a revolver. In the pocket of the dead man was the following startling telegram to Mr. Wreford, senior official receiver, "Come and fetch your vic-

1918: Anarchy in Russia

A Herald correspondant yesterday [Feb. 22] met four Belgian noncommissioned officers who have just returned from Russia after two years' service. They report that the collarse of trade, agriculture and transports in Russia, consequent on poblical anarchy, defies description. They state that with the exception of artillery

and ammunition abandoned by ! disbanded Russian armies, German will be unable to extract anything importance from the chaos. The Ge mans will have to sow in Russia the crops they wish to reap.

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1943: Big Loss for Nav WASHINGTON - From our N

lost in the North Atlantic early t month in the torpedoing of two me um-sized passenger-cargo ships, Navy announced today [Feb. 2 The disaster was the greatest of kind suffered by the United States this war, so far as casualties . concerned. The ships were carrying total of 1,400 crew men and pass gers. From the standpoint of b lost, the sinkings ranked perhaps: ond only to last year's sinking of British transport with the loss about 2,000 lives, including st 1,500 Italians prisoners who were ing trasported from Africa.

Throughout the 1980s, growth of

By Philip Bowring

SYDNEY—At one level the cam-paign for the Australian election next month is mainly a slanging

In many ways, their policies are similar. The Liberals espouse a more fundamentalist version of the free market economics that Mr. Keating. as treasurer for most of Labor's 10 years in office, applied to an inward-

looking economy.

However, the election is important,

 A nation wracked by high un-employment, bobbled by debt and namie East Asia.

the past decade, achieving above-OECD-average growth and below-

immigration program to acknowledge its proximity to Asia. election is about whether the situation is so bad that it warrants the stronger

There is consensus on

goals without social disruption. Labor is offering cootinued market-oriented reforms to make the economy more competitive, but on a gradualist basis and with organized

labor playing a major role. The opposition, a coalition between the Liberal and National parties, offers radical reform of a rigid labor market, a phasing out of tariffs and a reduction in taxes on tocome while increasing taxes on expediture to encourage saving and investment.

cord of financial mismanagement by

American countries. Bangladesh's New Democratic Order

PHAKA. Bangladesb — During municipal elections in Bangladesh five years ago, a colonel representing the military regime ordered a town's chief polling official to declare a candidate who finished third the winner. The official protested that everyone would know this was a sham. The colonel drew his revolver, cocked it and placed the barrel against the man's temple. When the official fainted, an assistant was found to scribble an illegible signature on the fraudulent notice paper. Times have changed Recently, wide-open municipal elections were

The government must be more than democratic.

held across this country amid festive

scenes. In that same town, dozens of young people danced down the street inning black umbrellas (the symbol of one candidate), past a buge papier-mache chair (the symbol of another) as sentries outside the local army base, resplendent in white gloves and scarlet turbans, stood passively by.

While disasters and atrocities elsewhere dominate the news, Bangladesh, which has a population of 113 million, has been quoetly re-establishiog democracy. The story from the world's ninth-largest and fifth-poorest nation is highly ambiguous, but it descrives attention.

Bangiadeshis have voted for local councils, national parliaments and presidents plenty of times, both before and after their break with Pakistan in 1972. But many of these elections were rigged, and most of those that weren't soon were nullified by military clout.

In 1991, after the fall of the junta headed by Lieutenant General Hussain Mohammed Ershad, a fair elec-tion brought the Bangladesh National Party under Khalida Zia to power. She is now prime minister and her govern-ment has allowed scrupulously open By James Manor

contests for local councils and in three parliamentary by-elections, all of which were won by the opposition Awami League. A few weeks ago, the governing party's candidate was de-clared the winner in a fourth by-election. The Awami League cried foul, claiming victory. But this dispute has not assumed serious proportions. Major newspapers that depend on government advertising lean toward the Nationalist Party, but the views of the Awami League's leader, Sheikh Hasina, are also on the front page daily.

By disciplining unruly young sup-porters, Begum Zia has curtailed the gunplay that long afflicted university campuses. The military is in on mood to resume the complex business of government, at which it has failed so woefully and so often. And if it tried, would face huge public protests.

It is not enough, however, for the government to be democratic. It must also perform effectively, and on that front serious concerns are emerging. Many ministers, starved of experience by years of autocracy, seem confused and leave policy-making to bureaucrats. Others who are more active

come across as profiteers or bunglers.

Begum Zia evidently understands

this. But a much-rumored cabinet reshuffle never seems to take place. Like all previous governments in Bangladesh, hers set out to discard every vestige of the former regime. abandoning promising institutions along with much that was vile. It abolished elected councils near the local level that had been misused, but that could have been changed to give rural people a voice in state affairs for the first time. The councils are to be replaced by a hopelessly overcentralized system. This pleases members of parliament who want no rivals in their constituences. But it slams the

door on rural folk who had hoped for greater democratic engagement. The government has compounded the International Herald Tribune.

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China, and has been used successfully to end pregnancies of up 10 five weeks' duration without surgery. In addition, if taken within 72 hours of unprotected intercourse it prevents the attachment of a fertilized egg to the uterine wall, which is described by some as prevention, rather than termination, of pregnancy. In spite of the proven safety and effectiveness of the drug, howev-President Clinton is talking about sacrier, the French manufacturer and its parent German company have refused to apply for fices Americans will be called upon to bring testing and beensing to the United States.
The European manufacturers have been frightened by the vehemence and - until tast month — the political power of and-abortion groups. It is not true, as has been alleged, that Catholic bospitals plan to boycott the company's other products if RU-486 is marketed in America. But some individuals in the anti-abortion movement have threatened to organize demonstrations, dredge up Nazi-era charges against the company and do all they can to make life miserable for the manufacturers. Because abortion rights groups have failed KATHARINE GRAHAM. ARTHUR OCHS SULZBERGER
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petition will be a more effective prod. - THE WASHINGTON POST. Other Comment Sacrifice Begins at the Top

the \$4 trillion national debt and the \$300 billion deficit down to manageable levels. To set a good example, be is ordering impressive White House staff and salary cuts. Now he should ask Congress to sacrifice While the average worker's wages rose only 2 percent above the rate of inflation since 1982, Congress's pay soared 45 percent. Members voted themselves seven pay raises or cost-of-living increases, pushing annual pay to more than \$125,000 by 1991. As the president rightly says, sacrifice should begin at the top.

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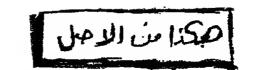
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OPINION

Calling a Tail a Leg: A Tax-Rise Name Game

WASHINGTON — If you call a tail
a leg, went the riddle attributed to
Lincoln, how many legs has a dog? The
answer: four, "because calling a tail a leg
doesn't make it a leg."

Red-eyed with lack of sleep, racing to
make a self-imposed deadline like students cramming for an exam, the Clintomites slapped together a dog's breakfast of a budget proposal — and did not
like what they saw.

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The trouble was that it was all tax increases and — except for a buge extra whack at defense that they knew had no whack at detense that they knew had no chance of getting past Senator Sam Num — few spending cuts. And the people had voted for spending cuts to reduce the deficit.

So Bill Clinton decided to call a tail a leg. This required moving a bunch of items out of column A, "tax increases," and over to column B, "spending cuts." It By William Safire

wasn't honest accounting but when you are in an impossible bind and it's late at night, you do what you have to do.

That's when the Clinton proposal to

tax an additional 35 percent of Social Security benefits to those over 65 who continue to work, or who were foolish enough to have saved money for their old age, went through a miraculous name change. The additional tax was no longer to be known by the harsh word "tax"; instead, it was to be called by the additional tax. admired term "spending cut." Lloyd Bentsen at Treasury attempted a convo-luted rationale for this sleight of hand that embaranced his fairless.

that embarrassed his friends.

The same trick was tried with uncapping the sum on which the Medicare tax was levied, thereby raising the tax take on the highest bracket to 43 percent. It's

a tax rise, plain and simple, squeezing \$12 billion out of those committing the egalitarian sin of earning money, but — behind the blue smoke and mirrors —

there it appears, labeled "spending cut."
Why the chicanery, so transparent that
not even the budget chief, Leon Panetta,
could bring himself to defend it on television on Sunday? Because Clintonites had
first promised two dollars in cuts for every new dollar in taxes, and then backed off to "rough balance" — but in the end they produced no balance, rough or otherwise. On the contrary, only after four dollars are snatched out of taxpayers' pockets do we see one dollar cut -

and that cut is not guaranteed.
In 60 days, the other shoe is scheduled to drop: the Hillary supplemental, with subsidies for 37 million uninsured peo-

ple to be paid out of taxes on cigarettes wine, beer and guns. And if a pistol-packing, butt-puffing Joe Sixpack can-not pay that \$90 billion freight all by himself, on comes a national sales tax. Did we vote for this? Did Bill Clinton

talk about it during his campaign, ex-cept to denounce predictions of tax-and-spend economics as "shameful"? Of course not, not for him the Walter

Mondale route in 1984, blurting out an intention to raise taxes. Such honesty is for losers; winners zip their lip and "discover" ever-growing deficits after the election, claiming then to be shocked, shocked at the need to raise taxes while

increasing nondefense spending.
Will it fty? The polls show the customary enthusiasm for a new president who exudes energy even as he proposes taxing it. We like seeing those lights burn-ing late, the resilient young president campaigning for his cause, whatever it is; fogies old and young find it fun to shake up the boring status quo. We tend to lorgive early mistakes and little deceptions, hoping they won't grow into major blunders and a pattern of lies.

But Mr. Clinton and his team, half starry-eyed and half bleary-eyed, are stumbling into an ideology that is as bad

for them as it is for the nation. Does he realize where "Clintonism," as it is developing, is taking him? Price control, paternalism and protectionism lead to inflation, recession and general dismay.

Americans love the idea of Change

and hate radical changes. We want a sense of movement without getting involved in a Movement.

It would be hard for any politician to

prevent 1993 from being a good year, just as it will be hard to prevent Mr. Clinton from attributing this year's upturn to his

election and slapdash proposals.

Stop him, Democrats, before his desire
to be different combines with his telemarketing talent to lead your party into the black hole of statism. He calls his inchoate ideology "the new direction," but calling a tail a leg doesn't make it a leg. The New York Times.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Word Without Social Value Regarding "Defanging of a Racial Epithet?" (Report, Jan. 25) by Michel Marri-

Your article concerns the status of the word "nigger." The word shall never be used by the ethnic Caucasoids in the presence of ethnic Afroids with impuni-ty. Unlike the word "black," a deroga-tory label for African-Americans that became a positive weapon by adding the word "power,' the word "nigger" has no redeeming social value.

TED JOANS.

Refugees Can Be a Plus

West from countries emerging from com-munism. Measures are being taken to head this off.

However, the Renaissance in Europe after the Dark Ages was due largely to the Byzantine scholars and merchants who fled Constantinople after its fall in 1453. The influx of European refugees es-

caping from fascism in Western Europe in the '30s and early '40s raised scientific and cultural levels in the United States. European refugees from North Africa in the early '60s, the so-called pieds noirs. gave France an injection of progress. Why should the present influx not provide new scientific and cultural impetus to the West, which is undergoing a period of stagnation?

Mishearing the People, Too Regarding "Excuse Me, Mr. Clinton, I Must Have Misheard You" (Opinion, Feb. 20-21) by Ronald Reagan:

Yes, Mr. Reagan, you have misheard President Bill Clinton — just as you misheard, misread, misunderstood, misinterpreted, misled and misgoverned the American people for eight years.

PETER ADAMS.

Erring on Barcelona

Regarding "Atlanta Sees 96 Costs Growing to Olympic-Size Proportions" (Sports, Feb. 4):

There were two errors of fact in this article, "Barcelona will need another 15

years to pay off its Olympic debt," the article said. It is not another 15 years, but the already budgeted 15 years. Also, the article said the city had "35,800 billion pesetas in interest payments alone to be met this year." It is 35,800 million pesetas.

XAVIER ROIG.

The Right to Do What?

Regarding "Women Rockers: A Long Way, Baby" (Back Page, Feb. 16): What are "reproductive rights"? Is that anything like the right to reproduce? Or perbaps self-reproducing

ROD MILLER.

How the WASP Crust Crumbled

WASHINGTON — I have a con-fession: My family has a social disease. I call it the WASP Rot Syndrome. It is characterized by the slow erosion of ambition, energy, trust funds and SAT scores, a downward mobility that affects a whole class that once was accustomed to privilege and

responsibility. The ancestors were judges, adventurers, tycoons; the progeny are drummers and day laborers. The grandparents served on charity boards in the city; the grandchildren live in cabins in the woods and, as a friend explained, "asso-

woods and, as a frient explained, asso-ciate with people with no teeth."
For many WASPs (the enduring coinage for "old money" Americans who are mostly white, of Anglo-Saxon descentand Protestant), the American Dream of bettering oneself has be-come the nightmare of decline. There are, of course, many excep-

tions, with large numbers of inheritors carrying on in positions of power. And

MEANWHILE

no doubt there are invigorating aspects to this downward slide. But knowing firsthand about WASP Rot is why the defeat of the handsome elubman George Bush did not surprise me. He may defy the WASP Rot label with his impressive resume, but I recognized the

symptoms in his performance.

Despite his efforts not to be that way, he kept gagging on the silver spoon in his mouth. His defeat did not just mark the end of a generation; it also marked the end of the Old WASP hegemony that had dominated the po-litical, economic and social life of the country for centuries.

WASP decline was under way long before Poppy went to Yale. But in recent years numerous historians have relegated WASPs to the sidelines of history. "Relatively few members of the national social aristocracy have made truly major contributions to the political or economic development of the United States in the last four decades," wrote Robert C. Christopher in 1989 in "Crashing the Gates: The De-Wasping of America's Power Elite."

After several generations of slippage, many WASPs now spend much of their time twisting in the wind of mediocrity. Their houses are smaller than those of their grandparents. So are their horizons. At their best, they are charming, reliable and civic-minded. At their worst, they are narrow, nasty, aimless and drink too much.

Several years ago, at a family funeral, my children and I stayed with a cousin in an old house with endless rooms, linen guest towels and a two-story bbrary filled with turn-of-the-century editions. My daughter turned to me -her faintly hippie mom who went to school on a scholarship - and asked, Mummie, what happened?"

Good question. The quick explanation is democratic By Abigail Trafford

iustice. The Old WASPs could not, or justice. The Old WASPs could not, or would not, compete with newcomers who brought the same level of energy, talent and ambition that had once propelled the Founding WASPs.

The sociologist E. Digby Baltzell, who popularized the term WASP in 1964, points out that the WASPs foundered in the early 20th century when hereage a closed caste that dis-

they became a closed caste that dis-criminated against non-WASPs.

Slippage is ultimately guaranteed by the loss of money. Inherited wealth dis-appears if those in succeeding generations are not able to earn money on their own. Of the 1,000 New York families listed as rich in 1845, not one made the Forbes list in 1985, Mr. Christopher

But the decline of the WASPs is broader than the erosion of capital. It has to do with the crosion of the Code. The Old WASPgeist began to decompose when the WASP version of noblesse oblige got subtly but fatally twisted into faiblesse oblige. In Faiblesse WASPs, the manners are still there but the force and clarity are gone, re-placed by faiblesse, or weakness.

Noblesse WASPs stand by their principles — remember Attorney General Elliott Richardson, who defied Presi-dent Richard Nixon by refusing to fire the Watergate counsel Archibald Cox. which cost him his job? Faiblesse WASPs flip-flop the way Mr. Bush did on the abortion issue. Noblesse WASPs - Franklin D. Roosevelt comes to mind - have a common touch and talk to both princes and paupers in the same voice; Faiblesse WASPs "go native" and try to pass for a cowboy or lobster-

man — think Mr. Bush and pork rinds. Noblesse WASPs "pay their fair share" — in taxes, charity and good works; Faiblesse WASPs seek tax breaks calling a Houston hotel room a home. I N MANY families, the Code's transition from Noblesse to Faiblesse begins when the origins of WASP power and prestige are forgotten and the founder story is mythologized in a way that can paralyze future genera-

In a family memoir that described my great-great grandfather, his son put it this way: "In the 1880s, my father had by some quirk of fortune become president of the Big Four (a railroad company). He fell into this job as a legal representative for some Boston capitalists." It's as though he was standing on the corner and some-one dropped a railroad into his pocket.

While the myth correctly recognizes the role of luck, it glosses over the bold ambition it took to leave a rocky farm in Maine and strike out on his own. The son also writes: "The second gencration did not have the drive of the

Set in place is the Faiblesse message that the current generation can never this comment to The Post.

measure up to previous generations. Even more debilitating is the myth of effortlessness, of Talling into sucof effortlessness, of "falling into" success. A gentleman must not seem to try too hard. This quickly becomes: A gentleman must not try too hard. In the marketplace, where abilities are evenly distributed among competitors, trying hard can make the difference.

The underlying command of the Code was "Stand up and be counted." Rise to the occasion. War and crisis losses the restribute of pedigree so

loosen the restraints of pedigree so that the clubmen could pull out the stops and "light fiercely." But stand up and be counted is a command in the passive voice. The subtext is to wait for a crisis before acting, which translates into: Wait and do nothing.

The downward fall was accelerated by the revolt of WASP women. The traditional escape routes had always been scandal (love) and mental illness. My mother, a promising sculptor and airplane pilot, spent most of her life in mental institutions like the one near Boston where they served meals on Wedgewood china. Mental illness is like a lightning fire in the forest; the devastation is total. It contributes to

the decline of many families.

Yet for the survivors — and not everyone survives — tragedy starts a new cycle of growth. In a curious way, my mother's collapse paved the way for me to start over, recovering the drive of the "first generation."

The secret in most families was that the WASP way of life depended on the talents, energies and sacrifice of the women. They often ran separate households in summer and winter. managed a staff, monitored large numbers of children and grandchil-dren, and generally created an envi-ronment in which the WASP male could flourish.

After World War II, WASP women. many now armed with college degrees, put on aprons for about a decade and then decided they would rather be law-yers or bankers or holistic massage therapists. Once the woman revolts, the whole way of life collapses.

All the while, an increasing number of third- and fourth-generation WASPs simply broke the Code that bad become corrupt, repressive, sexist and silly. They broke the Code by moving out, marrying out, divorcing

out, dropping out and opting out.
They also opted out of what their parents did. Today, curiously enough, some are even starting a business or going into politics — just like the old days. That is why when my daughters ask what happened, I can tell them this: WASP Rot has been good for us. It's a challenge to start over.

The writer, editor of the Health section of The Washington Post, is author of "Crazy Time: Surviving Divorce and Building a New Life." She contributed this comment to The Post.



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stalled by the poor health of the industry.

Deputy Finance Minister Bo Lundgren last week confirmed that the government would keep Skandinaviska Enskilda Banken AB afloat after

it announced substantial losses, but he said state

ownership was "definitely a last resort" and

would not arise unless private resources were

exhausted. He said that the government had no

objection to foreign ownership of Swedish

Mr. Lundgren reported to parliament that

Sparbanken Sverige and Foreningsbanken.

kronor (\$696 million) in 1992 raised questions about whether the Swedish government, with a

budget deficit heading for 14 percent of GDP, can bail out all the banks that need help. Analysis said changes in the regulatory envi-ronment between 1985 and 1989 helped create

Tables include the nationwide prices up to the closing on Wall Street and do not reflect late trades elsewhere. Via The Associated Press

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Banks Balk Stockholm Privatizations Stalled by Need for State Aid the conditions that set off a chain of problems

STOCKHOLM — By the end of the year, a for the banks. "All the credit restrictions were relaxed dur-Swedish government committed to extensive ing a boom of enormous proportions." one analyst said. "The banks could not lend money quickly enough. They not only lent it directly, they lent it to specialist finance companies, which is the lent it at a series bigh recent privatization may find itself effectively owning six of the country's leading banks, analysts say.

They said Svenska Handelsbanken AB, which reports 1992 results Tuesday, could be left as the which in turn lent it at extra high rates to only major bank in the private sector, while the property speculators who would not have met government wrestles with a budget deficit inflatconditions for a direct bank loan." ed by aid to banks and a privatization program

Bo Engstrom, analyst at Midland Montagu pointed out that three years ago it was not unknown for the finance companies to lend 105 percent of the market value on properties. From mid-1989 there was a race for market share led by Nordbanken AB, with new finance companies springing up, he said.

Problems first appeared in late 1990 among finance companies that specialized in foreign lending often into the British market, analysts said. The banks poured more money in, but were overtaken when property prices flattened in early guarantees already made to Nordbanken, Gota Bank and Forsta Sparbanken totaled 67.5 bil-1991 and began to fall towards the end of the year. As finance companies got in trouble, banks lion kronor. Now in line for aid are SE Banken. refinanced them, often more than once. Thursday's announcement by SE Banken that it had an operating loss of 5.3 billion

The banks' enormous need for fresh capital has been cited as a reason for the moratorium

Even with government aid the banks will still need to make rights issues, which will tend to squeeze the privatization candidates out of the capital market, analysts said.

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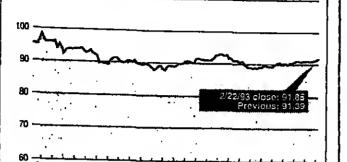
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INTERNATIONAL STOCKS

Gold Rush to East Europe Has Dwindled to a Trickle

By Jane Perlez New York Times Service

EW YORK - When the Berlin Wall fell in 1989, the major countries of Eastern Europe were viewed as interesting prospects for fund managers watching emerging markets. But after the initial enthusiasm, the last three years have been disappointing.

Two closed-end mutual funds were floated in Europe in 1990 that

specialized in Hungary: the Austro-Hungary Fund and the Hungarian Investment Fund. Last August, a closed-end fund that concentrated its portfolio in Czechoslovakia, the Czechoslovakia Investment Corp., was introduced on the London exchange. Soon after the Hungarian funds were established, the excitement

about investment in Eastern Europe dampened. Expectations of a proliferation of funds investing in the region did not materialize. High inflation, faltering government policies on privatization and political uncertainties from the war in the former

Analysts blame inflation and faltering privatization policies.

Yugoslavia contributed to the drop in interest.

"There aren't too many of us," said John Sear, the manager of the Austro-Hungary Fund Ltd., put together by Lloyds Bank Fund Management Ltd. in London. "The Ost fantasy has disappeared."

The Austro-Hungary Fund, which is listed on the Amsterdam Stock Exchange, opened with \$27 million in assets in June 1990.

The ethos of the fund was to invest 50 percent in Austria and 50 to the fund was to invest 50 percent in Austria and 50 to the fund was to invest 50 percent in Austria and 50 to the fund was to invest 50 percent in Austria and 50 to the fund was to invest 50 percent in Austria and 50 to the fund was to invest 50 percent in Austria and 50 to the fund was to invest 50 percent in Austria and 50 to the fund was to invest 50 percent in Austria and 50 to the fund was to invest 50 percent in Austria and 50 to the fund was to invest 50 percent in Austria and 50 to the fund was to invest 50 percent in Austria and 50 to the fund was to invest 50 percent in Austria and 50 to the fund was to invest 50 percent in Austria and 50 to the fund was to invest 50 percent in Austria and 50 to the fund was to invest 50 percent in Austria and 50 to the fund was to invest 50 percent in Austria and 50 to the fund was to invest 50 percent in Austria and 50 to the fund was to invest 50 percent in Austria and 50 to the fund was to invest 50 percent in Austria and 50 to the fund was to invest 50 percent in Austria and 50 to the fund was to invest 50 percent in Austria and 50 to the fund was to invest 50 percent in Austria and 50 to the fund was to invest 50 percent in Austria and 50 to the fund was to invest 50 percent in Austria and 50 to the fund was to invest 50 percent in Austria and 50 to the fund was to invest 50 percent in Austria and 50 to the fund was to invest 50 percent in Austria and 50 to the fund was to invest 50 percent in Austria and 50 to the fund was to invest 50 percent in Austria and 50 to the fund was to invest 50 percent in Austria and 50 to the fund was to invest percent in Hungary, Mr. Sear said. But Hungary proved difficult: There were not enough companies suitable for investment, largely because all the banks and about half the manufacturing companies have stayed in state hands. So 60 percent of the fund has been invested in Austria. Of the 40 percent dedicated to Hungary, 12

percent remains in cash.

Mr. Sear said the major equity investments in Hungary have been in three companies traded on the fledgling stock market there; a clothing manufacturer, Styl, that exports to brand-name West European customers such as Escada, a chain of quick photo-developing stores, Fotex, and a ceramic-tile maker, Zalakeramia.

Mr. Sear said Styl and Fotex had done well on the Hungarian stock exchange, up 40 percent and 30 percent, respectively. The ceramic maker's stock has remained "even Steven," he said.

At the end of last month, the net asset value of the Austro-Hungary Fund shares had dropped to \$5.72 from the original \$9. See EAST, Page 14

For Baby Bells, Back to the Future?

CHICAGO - Ameritech Corp., one of the regional telephone companies created by the breakup of the AT&T monopoly a decade ago, announced Monday that it wanted to erase the basic divide between local and long-distance

services set down in the 1982 court order. Ameritech, the umbrella for the Bell companies in the Great Lakes region, said it would ask the Federal Communications Commission next month for permission to provide long-

distance telephone service next year. In return, the Chicago-based telecommuni-cations company said it would open its local telephone services to competition, in part by letting other service providers in the Midwest buy components of Ameritech's network to repackage with their own for resale.

Analysts called the proposal bold but unlikely to get approval in the immediate future.

The Ameritech move comes as telecommunications, computer and other information-technology companies are increasingly distinct and served up by different providers. Multimedia's emphasis on integration flies in the face of the administrative breakup of nunications services such as in the 1982 court order keeping the seven regional Bells out of the long-distance market.

That order, a consent decree, grew out of the federal government's anutrus; suit rainst American Telephone & Telegraph against American 1 coconica to settlement Co. and its affiliates in 1974. The settlement required AT&T to confine itself to the longdistance business and divest itself of its affiliates that provided local telephone service. William L. Weiss, chairman and chief execntive of Ameritech, called his company's pro-

posal a "transformation." The overall plan to trade access to its local network with the capability to provide all types of telecommunications service is "a grand request," said Marianne Bye at Lehman Brothers. "But it's also highly appropriate, given the fast-evolving telecome

The regional Bells are "headed for more and more competition," said Blake Bath at Sanford Bernstein, citing the potential impact of expanding cable companies, bypass companies that provide large corporate customers local access to long-distance carriers, and as personal communications systems, a type of low-powered cellular telephone network.

"It's the way things will evolve 10 to 15 years down the road," Mr. Bath said. "But for Ameritech to think they can file this ... and see it enacted in the next few years is a farce." Still, investors liked the announcement,

trading Ameritech stock up \$1.50 to close at \$75.875 on the New York Stock Exchange. The nature of the difficulties facing the proposal were underlined when, separately, the U.S. Supreme Court on Monday refused to allow regional Bells to centralize their distribution of channel signals. These signals are used to route telephone calls from the

Bells to the long distance companies. The Bells' proposal required a modifica

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Clinton Package: 'Insuring' a Recovery

WASHINGTON - President Bill Clinton's chief economie advis-

er told Congress on Monday that the administration's stimulus package was needed as an "insurance policy" to keep the economy from faltering again.

Laura D'Andrea Tyson, head of over the next two years and boost sure on the economy."

the growth rate by 0.3 percentage point in both 1993 and 1994. Speaking to the congressional Joint Economic Committee, she said the package was needed, "giv-

Bond yields plunged, giving a lift to U.S. stocks. Page 12.

the president's Council of Econom- en the fact that the recovery has ic Advisers, said the business tax stalled in the past, gains in employbreaks and public-works spending in the \$30 hillion package would create an additional 500,000 jobs ment during the recovery have been small to date and many forces will continue to exert downward pres-

signed to answer charges that the measured by the gross domestic package was not needed in the face product, would rise at an annual of expected record budget deficits rate of 3.1 percent this year, instead and signs that the economy is be- of 2.8 percent without the sumulus ginning to improve.

Her appearance was a continua-tion of the administration's extensive campaign to drum up support for Mr. Clinton's program to re-duce the deficit by \$325 billion over the next four years while at the same time providing \$169 billion in business tax breaks and spending

increases over four years. The administration said it was

Ms. Tyson's comments were de-forecasting that the economy, as program, and 3.3 percent in 1994, instead of 3 percent.

> According to the National Asso-ciation of Business Economists, U.S. unemployment will improve only marginally this year, falling to an average rate of 7 percent from 7.4 percent in 1992, in spite of Mr. Clinton's economic stimulus pack-(AP. AFX)

Branson Gives BA Ultimatum On Reparations

LONDON - An impatient Richard Branson told British Airways on Monday that it had 24 hours to quit dithering and make him a "sensible" offer to redress the financial damage done by BA's dirty tricks campaign to Virgin Atlantic Airways.

Mr. Branson, Virgin Atlantic's founder, speaking to reporters at the official opening of his airline's new passenger lounge at Heathrow Airport, said, "We have come to the end of our tether."

Talks between executives of the

two airlines began shortly after the companies reached an out-of-court settlement last month, by which Virgin dropped its libel action against BA in return for an official apology and £610,000 (\$880,000) in damages. In recent days those talks bogged down, with Mr. Branson rejecting a settlement that included an offer to put still unresolved issues before an independent arbitrator.

Mr. Branson is reportedly looking for a sizable cash settlement "I couldn't see it being hundreds of millions of pounds but it could be in the tens of millions," said Paolo Pezzini, an airline-industry consultant with SRI International in London. Mr. Branson would not comment on reports that he was seeking Branson has threatened to take his case accusing BA of uncompetitive behavior to the U.S. courts and the European Court of Justice. Analysts said that BA, which is currently trying to buy a 20 percent stake in USAir, is eager to avoid a costly and embarrassing legal tussle in the American courts.

The actual amount of money in a settlement is neither here no Matthew Stainer an analyst with Schroder Securities. He sees the greatest danger posed to BA as the effect that a court case could have with passengers and with America's airline regulators.

Lufthansa Sees Breakeven by 1995 at Latest

Compiled in Our Stuff From Dispatches FRANKFURT - Lufthansa AG said Monday it expected "at the very least to reach breakeven in its operating result by 1995."

Lufthansa was replying to a report due to be published in the March issue of Manager Magazin, which quoted McKinsey management consultants as saying Lufthansa expected to record operating losses of 4 billion Deutsche marks (\$2,45 billion) between 1993 and 1996.

Last month, the airline said it expected to lose 450 million to 550 million DM. pretax. this year, after an estimated loss of 1.2 billion DM in 1992. Lufthansa had a group operating loss of 301 million DM in 1991.

Lusthansa said the McKinsey statements were "without foundation" and "unreliable considering the company's recent restructuring successes."
(AFX, Bloomberg)

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Speed Drives Morgan Past Other Brokers in Tokyo

By Jeremy Adrian and Kevin Kelleher

Bloomberg Business News TOKYO — When Morgan Stanley Japan Ltd., a branch of the American securities company, became the most profitable brokerage in Japan last year, the Japanese were not pleased.

Morgan's success was hard to swallow at a time when domestic brokers were watching their profits crumble. The frustration led arbitrage-trading operation for the prolonged slump in Japanese stock prices.

Japan's leading business newspaper, the Ni-hon Keizai, said in June. This followed an intrusive 14-week "routine" audit of Morgan's files by the Ministry of Finance.

It was oot long before anonymous faxes began rolling into Morgan's Tokyo trading floor with death threats. Later, a few bomb threats came too, forcing traders to evacuate the building three times.

Behind this commotion sat Kevin Parker, the driving force behind Morgan's leap to many to blame Morgan and its lucrative No. I. As overseer of Morgan's Tokyo equity arbitrage-trading operation for the peoonged slump in Japanese stock prices.

of the most profitable desk at the most profitable securities bouse in Tokyo.

That's pretty heady stuff for a 33-year-old, been snatched up by Morgan," said a trader who is also Morgan's youngest managing at a Japanese securities house.

How does Mr. Parker's desk generate all those profits? Part of the answer is raw speed. Morgan has spent an estimated \$35 million to put the fastest trading systems available on Mr. Parker's desk. The payoff, he says, is that Morgan is two to three seconds faster than the competition.

Those two or three seconds make the difference between profiting from opportuni-ties and just watching them whiz by. "We see ties and just watching them whiz by. We see arbitrage opportunities in the market but when we go to execute, the trade has already

In the six months through September,

Morgan Stanley Japan posted pretax profit of 12.6 billion yen (\$106 million). Morgan bas profited even though stock prices are mired in a slump and Japan is stuck in one of its worst post-war recessions.

Morgan's profit is oearly double that of it's nearest competitor, Salomon Brothers Asia, and seven times that of the nearest Japanese brokerage, Daiwa Securities Co.,

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INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITY

CAIRO SHERATON HOTEL TOWERS & CASINO

In the context of the Egyptian Government Privatization Policy, the Holding Company for Tourism, owned by the Government of Egypt, and its affiliate the Egyptian General Company for Tourism and Hotels "EGOTH", announce the proposed divestiture of: Cairo Sheraton Hotel Towers & Casino.

The Cairo Sheraton was opened in 1970 as a five star hotel overlooking the Nile, and located on a plot of land measuring 5451 sq. m. at Galaa Square, Cairo. It serves both business and tourist markets. It was substantially enlarged in 1989 through the construction of a second 27 storey tower, and now has 547 rooms and 113 suites. Its overall built-up area comprises 95,000 square meters.

The 1992 unaudited financial statements reveal that the facility's revenue is in excess of 110 million Egyptian Pounds and the owner's share in the GOP from said facility for the same year is over 47 million Egyptian Pounds.

The Cairo Sheraton Hotel Towers & Casino is operated by Sheraton Overseas Company, Ltd., under a management contract.

Parties interested in this unique opportunity may now obtain the information memorandum describing the Cairo Sheraton Hotel Towers & Casino from the Financial Advisor named below:

> Misr Iran Development Bank Attn. Mr. Al-Motaz Mansour **Managing Director** The Nile Tower 21 Giza Street, P.O.Box 219 Orman 12612 Cable MIRBANK - Fax (20-2) 570-1185 Tel. (20-2) 570-0622

Interested investors should submit their applications accompanied by information on their legal and financial status, areas of activity and affiliation to similar investments as well as their bank references.

Closing date for submission of applications no later than 12 noon of March 31,

Rationale for Surptuses banks' paying down their short-term borrowings in New York and other wholesale banking markets, By James Sterngold New York Times Service

Japan Weakness Erodes

TOKYO - Even as Japan racks up the largest trade surpluses in history, the flood of international investments the surpluses were supposed to finance have declined sharply in recent years, undercutting one of the government's justifications for the imbalances.

The Japanese government has taken a variety of steps to blunt criticism over the overwhelming size of its surpluses. One of the more important of these, during the 1980s, was the development of multibillion-dollar programs to "recycle" some of the money to needy areas of the global economy. The government sent funds to areas of the developing world that were starved for capital and encouraged Japanese corporations to make productive investments in the United States and Europe.

This money paid for everything from foreign aid projects in Thailand to Honda auto plants in Ohio and securities purchases on Wall Street, prompting the government to argue that they were a beneficial side-effect of the country's trade

But that has changed, with surprising speed. The waves of capital that Japan sent washing over the world have contracted to a trickle, leaving a residue of mistrust among some foreign officials and analysts. There has been some flow out of Japan of what is called short-term capital, but economists say that is merely a consequence of Japanese

Eurocurrency Deposits

not the kind of productive investments the Japanese had promised.

The more important long-term capital investments are staying in Japan's recession-battered economy, where they are being used to shore up the nation's troubled banking industry, hold together a severely depressed real estate market and repay some of the reckless borrowing that took place during Japan's boom of the 1980s.

Long-term Japanese investments overseas peaked at \$136.5 billion in 1987, then turned into a trickle of less than \$30 billion last year. They are expected to remain depressed this year. In comparison, Japan's trade surplus hit a record \$132.6 billion in 1992, more than double the level of two years earlier. The surplus with the United States came to nearly \$45 billion, and economists are projecting further growth this year.

The government's official recycling program, first announced with great fanfare in 1987, sent \$65 billion abroad in the five years that ended last June. But there is no longer any official program in

But most economists now believe, that even with a new government program, which some officials have said will involve \$130 billion over five years, the total flow of invest-ments abroad will not match the level of the 1980s.

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MARKET DIARY

Bonds Sustain Rally, The Down Civing Stooks a Lift Giving Stocks a Lift

Monday as the yield on the benchmark 30-year Treasury bond fell below 7 percent for the first time. "Interest rates are so low money only has one place to go and that's

N.Y. Stocks

into the stock market," said John Blair at NatWest Securities.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average rallied 20.81 points to 3,342.91, led by gains in J.P. Morgan & Co., which was added to Merrill Lynch's "buy" list. In heavy trading of about 314 million shares, advancing common stocks outnumbered declining issues by a slim margin on the New York Stock Exchange.

But the Nasdaq Combined Composite Index plunged 11.19 to 652.42, hurt by slumping biotechnology stocks. Synergen Inc. lost 68 percent of its market value as the stock deliver 25% to 1216 when stock declined 28% to 131/2 when the company said results of human tests involving its sepsis drug Antril

were poor. "Biotech stocks were killed because of Synergen's announcement," said Edward Collins, head trader at Daiwa Securities (Americat. Amgen Inc. fell 31/2 to 411/2,

Bloomberg Business News

NEW YORK — U.S. stocks rose

Regeneron Pharmaceutical slumped 24 to 11.

Generally, stocks received a boost from the decline in Treasury bond yields. The yield on the benchmark 30-year bond fell 7 ba-sis points to 6.93 percent amid tough talk from President Bill Clinton about cutting the federal bud-

get deficit. The market's assuming he will be more forceful on cutting spend-ing to reduce the record \$290 billion budget deficit, said Michael Strauss, chief economist at Yamaichi International (America).

But the stock market "is going to twist and turn for the next several weeks as investors try to figure out how Clinton's plan is going to af-fect the economy, said Richard Meyer, head of institutional trading at Ladenburg, Thalmann & Co.

Health-care stocks were battered again by concern over Mr. Clinton's proposal to limit tax breaks for companies manufacturing in Puerto Rico.

U.S. Surgical Corp. plunged 4% to 57%, after falling 6% points Friday. Medtronic Inc. fell 61/2 to 70%, following Friday's 4%-point plunge. Tobacco stocks continued to weaken amid concern of higher taxes on cigarettes.

YEN: The Rise Squeezes Japan Inc.

(Continued from page 1)

record \$107 billion in 1992, is likely to grow further this year because the weak domestic economy is slowing demand for imports. It will thus become an ever-larger blight in tax cuts, housing support and on the political landscape, encouraging policymakers in Washington and Europe to seek an agreement similar to the Plaza accord of 1985. which led to a sharp ven increase. Thanks in part to that agree-

ment, Japanese exports in volume Foreign Exchange

terms rose only 17.5 percent between December 1985 and December 1992, while imports jumped 64.1 percent. Japan's share of ex-ports to OECD countries has been declining since 1984, while the U.S. share has been rising since 1986.

The benefits to the global economy of a new yen rise today, however, would be less dramatic. Unlike the mid-1980s, when Japan pumped its way out of recession by investing unprecedented sums at home and ahroad while the government applied a heavy fiscal stimuhis and slashed the discount rate. Japan's options for reflating are limited now. The discount rate is already at an historic low at 2.5 percent: companies are burdened with excess capacity and have little incentive to invest, and the cost of capital has increased sharply as the Tokyo stock market has plunged.

The ven's rise will increase pressure on the government to give a 1.6247 DM from 1.6380.

new fiscal boost in addition to last year's 10.7 trillion yen (\$90 billion) stimulus package. Sometime before the G-7 summit here in July, economists expect the government to un-veil a package worth 7 trillion yen

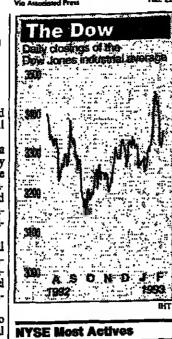
public works spending. Each 10 yen appreciation against the dollar reduces Japan's output 0.3 percent, economists say. Hardest hit are automobile, electronics and other companies heaviy reliant on exports. The Bank of Japan estimates that the average exporter breaks even at an exchange rate of 123 yen to the dollar.

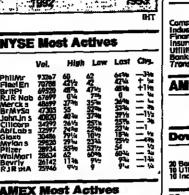
well above today's level. On trade, the immediate deflationary impact of a stronger yen should make Japan's trade surplus

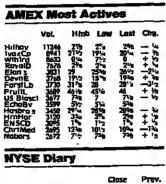
After 12 to 18 months, however, an appreciation of the yen should help narrow the imbalance by making imports more attractive, and giving a boost to Japan's economic growth via savings on cheaper imports. But unlike the late 1980s boom, the next surge in Japanese imports will more likely favor cheaper products produced in Southeast Asia, often by Japanese subsidiaries, rather than highpriced luxury goods such as Ger-man cars and French paintings.

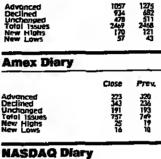
The yen strengthened across the board on Monday, rising to 71.61 to the Deutsche mark in New York from 72.86 Friday.

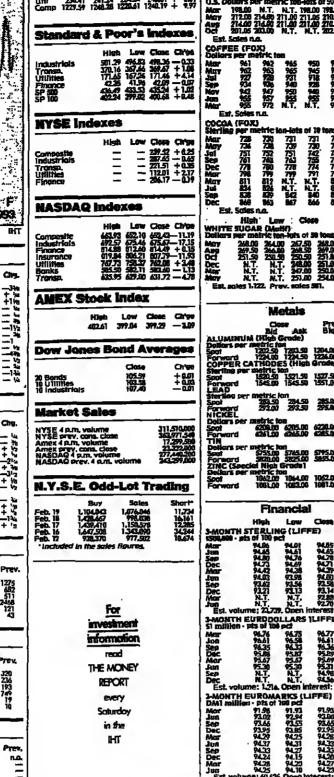
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PHONES: Back to the Future?

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Judge Greene's decision stand.

Under its new proposal, Ameri tech would compete with AT&T and about 300 other companies. The plan, which would allow con-sumers to pick their local carriers in much the same way they now pick long-distance carriers, would allow other companies in Ameritech's region to establish their own switching

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Baker and Mosbacher to Advise Enron HOUSTON (UPI) - Enron Corp. said Monday that the former. secretary of state, James A. Baker 3d, and the former commerce secretary, Robert A. Mosbacher, had agreed to assist the Houston-based company in developing natural-gas projects overseas. Enron said that the two former Bush administration cabinet officers,

working under a joint consulting and investing agreement, would bring their "wealth of international experience" to the company.

"Although they will not lobby U.S. government agencies or officials and will not represent any formational experience." and will not represent any foreign governments, their international business experience and knowledge of governments around the world, as well as their great understanding of the energy business, will greatly enhance Knowle seed of becoming the model. enhance Enron's goal of becoming the world's first natural gas major,

said Enron's chairman, Kenneth Lay.

Enron, which has assets of \$11 billion, operates one of the world's largest natural-gas transmission systems. It owns 80 percent of Enron Cil & Gas Co., one of the largest independent natural-gas exploration and production companies in the United States.

Torchmark Buys United Investors

BIRMINGHAM, Alabama (Bloomberg) — Torchmark Corp. sent shares of its 84 percent-owned United Investors Management Co. soaring on Monday, offering \$201 million for the remaining 16 percent of the

Torchmark, the Birmingham-based insurer and financial services company, said that it had offered about \$30,50 in the form of a newly issued convertible debenture for each of United Investors' 6.58 million nonvoiting shares outstanding. Terms of the debenture have not yet been set.

Torchmark officials declined to comment on the motive for repurchasing the spun-off shares.

Steel Shipments Increased in January

CLEVELAND (UPI) - The Steel Service Center Institute said Monday that the industry had started the new year with unusually strong shipping levels and expectations of even better days ahead.

January's average daily shipping rate was up 16.5 percent from December, according to the latest business conditions report of the Steel Service Center Institute.

For the first time since September 1990, service centers shipped more than 94,000 tons of steel products a day. Average daily shipments for all seven product categories were up over December levels.

Du Pont Debt Ratings Under Review NEW YORK (AFX) — Moody's Investors Service said Monday that in

had placed under review for possible downgrade the Aa2 long-term debt ratings of Du Pont Co. About \$8.8 billion of long-term debt is affected. Moody's said that the review reflected its concern over increased debt. levels coinciding with lagging cash flow — "a trend of several years" duration that worsened significantly in 1992." Ratings under review are Du Pont's AA2 rating on senior notes,

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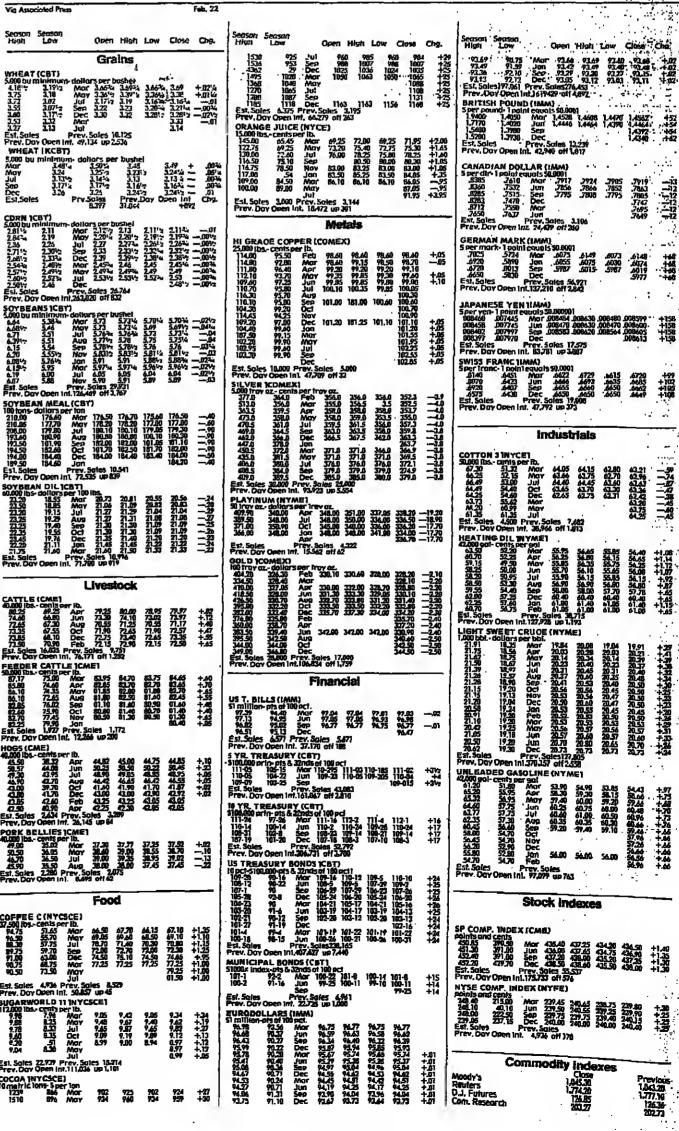
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• A Buyout • In Works At Leyland

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Agence France-Presse LONDON - Three senior managers from the Leyland DAF truck plant in northern England are planning a buyout to save the troubled

factory, the managing director.

John Gilchrist, said Monday.

Mr. Gilchrist, 51, said the plan was dependent on the team's reaching an agreement with DAF Trucks
NV in the Netherlands to distribute its DAF 45 light truck series on

Production restarted at the plant in Leyland, Lancashire early Mon-day following a three-week halt after its parent company, the British-Dutch combine DAF NV, collapsed and was put into administration.

At the weekend, DAF Trucks, a new company formed to operate in the Netherlands and Belgium, said it would "seriously consider" a supply contract with the Lancashire works for its DAF 45 series light truck, if a new owner could be found for the British business.

Leyland DAFs operations also included an axle plant in Glasgow and a van plant in Birmingham.

We think the products coming out of this factory are of such a standard and quality that there is a very good potential to sell them into this market," DAF Trucks NV's chairman. Cor Baan, said on a BBC radio program.

A spokesman for the Leyland DAF receivers said: "We look forward to getting down to negotiations with the management buyout

Leyland DAF has shed one-third of its 5,500 workers in Britain this month since the administrators were called in at DAF's headquarters in Leyland and at Eindhoven,

EC Says U.S. Twists Truth on Procurement

BRUSSELS - The European Community on Monday accused U.S. trade negotiators of giving a false impression that the U.S. market for government contracts was more open to foreign competi-

tion than the equivalent market in EC countries. The U.S. government has said that it will bar EC-based companies from bidding on most federal contracts on March 22 unless the Community ceases discrimination against American companies.

Commission officials said there were blatant distortions in a document produced by U.S. officials at a meeting with EC counterparts in Washington last week. The meeting aimed to settle the procurement quarrel before the U.S. ban comes into effect.

The U.S. officials had claimed that EC contractors had access to U.S. federal contracts worth twice as much as the equivalent opportunities offered in the Community to American companies.

But the commission officials argued that the value of public con-tracts open to all tenderers had doubled between 1985 and 1990 in EC countries while equivalent U.S. federal contracts had fallen 30 percent.

They also maintained that the U.S. figures did not take into account barriers to foreign tenderers for U.S. public contracts at state and city level. And they denied a U.S. claim that lederal contracts worth more than \$150 billion were open to EC tenderers without restrictions, because 20 percent of such contracts must be given to local small and medium-sized businesses.

One official added that there were myriad technical, unofficial barriers that prevented European companies from tendering for U.S.

Norsk Hydro Rises From Red Tax Change and North Sea Oil Provide a Lift

OSLO — Norsk Hydro A/S, Norway's biggest industrial com-pany, said Monday that it had moved into profit in 1992 but only because of a change in its tax accounting system.

Net profit for Norsk Hydro, which is 51 percent owned by the Norwegian state, surged to 1.76 bil-

Notwegian state, surged to 1.76 bil-lion kroner (\$251.9 million), after a 1991 loss of 498 million kroner. But Norsk Hydro said it would bave posted a loss of 195 million kroner in 1992 if not for a change in the U.S. accounting principles that the company uses. The board pro-posed a divided of 2 kroner for posed a dividend of 3 knoner for 1992, against 3.5 kroner in 1991. The accounting changes freed up around 2 billion kroner of reserves

tax obligations under the old accounting system. "The 1992 result was strongly influenced by the weak world economy," said the Norsk Hydro presi-

dent, Egil Myklebust. "There was a

sharp price drop for Hydro's main products from 1991 to 1992." This has been offset by improvements in areas over which we ourselves have control, he said, "partly by improving our cost base. and partly by increasing oil pro-

Shell Sets \$200 Million Charge for Showa Loss

duction." Norsk Hydro's business

AFP-Extel News LONDON — Royal Dutch/Shelf Group said Monday that it would take a £131 million (\$200 million) charge for the forward-trading currency losses of its 50 percent-held Showa Shell Sekiyu unit.

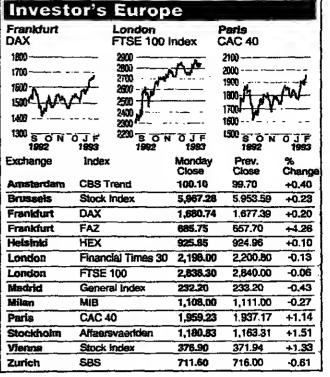
This will be offset by a credit of which had been put aside for future f149 million due to a change in the accounting treatment of Showa Shell Sekiyu, which has been in place since Jan. 1, 1992, Shell said. Earlier, Showa reported loreignexchange losses of 125 billion ven 1\$1.05 billion) since 1989.

covers agriculture, North Sea oil. light metals and petrochemicals.
The company's overall operating revenue fell to 58.06 billion kroner in 1992 from 60.61 billion in 1991. But operating income leaps to 2.88 billion kroner from 925 million.

About 90 percent of 1992 operating income came from North Sea oil and gas. North Sea output rose 16 percent to a record high of the equivalent of 8.3 million tons of oil. but average oil prices slipped to about \$19 a barrel from \$20. The troubled agriculture divi-

sion, the largest in terms of sales. narrowed its losses in 1992. Light metals swung to profit, while operating revenue from petrochemicals fell slightly.

The company posted a loss of 1.4 billion kroner in 1992 on currency movements, compared with a gain of 19 million in 1991. Mr. Myklebust said the rise of the dollar had caused large losses but that a stronger dollar would have a positive effect (Reuters, Bloomberg, AFX)



Sources, Reuters, AFP

FIAT: Corruption Scandal Ensnares 2 Key Executives

(Continued from page 1)

investigating magistrates Monday. from 4,520 lire to 5,385 lire (\$3.45), There was no immediate word on the outcome of the inquiries, which or Japanese automakers or a Ger-centered on charges of illegal fund-man bank were about to buy a ing of political parties and complicity in corruption.

The arrests brought a halt to an 11-day surge in Fiat's stock price on the Milan exchange, where companies owned by the Agnelli family account for 12 percent of the market's capitalization. They also sent the market's MIB index down 3 points, to 1,108.

Since Feb. 11, Fiat ordinary of corrupt practices, suggesting

shares bad surged by 19 percent. apparently on rumors that French stake in Fiat. After news of the arrests Monday, Fiat stock turnbled nearly 3 percent, to 5,200 lire.

Fiat's Impresit construction subsidiary took over Cogefar in 1989. Even though the company's dealings first came under investigation last year, Fiat had managed to con-vey the impression that its top managers bad no direct knowledge

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that any malpractice had taken place before the merger. However, the arrest of Mr. Maitioli has struck at the very heart of

Fiat's corporate structure. The 52year-old lawyer, the scion of a prominent Italian banking family, has worked for Fiat since 1975 and was considered a high-flyer.

When the company's manage-ment was reorganized last year, be took the title of chief financial officer, responsible for coordinating the activities of several company divisions, including publishing, re tailing, international operations, insurance and civil engineering.

Orders Shoot Up at Dassault

PARIS - Dassault Aviation said Monday its orders nearly doubled in 1992, to 22.5 billion francs (\$4.06 billion), and industry sources said

the gain was largely due to Taiwan's order of Mirage fighters.

A Dassault spokesman, expanding on the company's rise in 1992 sales reported in the government's official bulletin, said new orders had shot up from 12 billion francs in 1991, but would not say why. The industry sources supplied the explanation, laying it to the order of 60 Mirage 2000-5 planes that has caused a diplomatic chill

between Paris and Beijing.

Consolidated sales at Dassault, which is largely controlled by the French government since a recent reorganization of its capital structure, rose 3.1 percent in 1992 to 16.4 billion francs. Fourthquarter consolidated sales slipped slightly to 6.06 billion francs.

Dassault in October reported a first-half net profit of 111.1 million francs, 44 percent lower than a year earber. (AFX. Bloomberg)

Very briefly:

• RTZ Corp.'s U.S. subsidiary. Kennecott Corp., said it had agreed to purchase Cordero Mining Co., which operates the seventh-largest coal mine in the United States, from Sun Co. for \$120.5 million.

Sun Aliance Group PLC's Codan Forsikring A/S unit confirmed that it had submitted a hid for two units of Hafnia Holding A/S, Hafnia Forsikring and Hafnia Bank: the price was not disclosed.

• Asda Group PLC said its 3-for-10 rights issue at 53 pence (74 cents) a share had been 94.3 percent subscribed.

 SGS-Thomson SA's new ownership — by CEA-Industries, France Telecom and Finmeccanica SpA of Italy — was approved by the EC Commission. The chipmaker had been controlled by Thomson CSF of

· Welsh Water, the privatized water company, said had agreed to buy the British engineering consultancy Acer Group Ltd. for £56.1 million.

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Monday's Closing Tables include the nationwide prices up to the closing on Wall Street and do not reflect late trades elsewhere. Via The Associated Press

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NYSE Highs-Lows

MORGAN: After a Speedy Rise to Top, Broker Defends Its Role in Tokyo

according to the Nikkei Newsletter on Bonds and Money. Salomon saw its Tokyo profit

tumble 53 percent, to 7.4 billion yen, in the six months to Septemsqueaked by with pretax profits in the half.

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"Look at what's happened over the last 36 months." he said. "The

(Continued from first finance page) Still, Mr. Parker says he is Bank of Japan raises interest rates hundreds of hillions of yen of pub-amazed at the ability of the Japa- six times. Tell me a market that lie money in stocks to keep prices doesn't go way down when that

mprens."
Mr. Parker also asks that critics keep Morgan's profits in perspec-tive. "Look, in 1989. Yamaichi was the smallest of the Big Four and they made 10 times what we made last year," he said. "We're not talking about a lot of money here."

The Finance Ministry has been trying to bolster the market by imposing restrictions on futures activity, such as doubling commissions. cutting trading time, limiting price movements and raising margins.

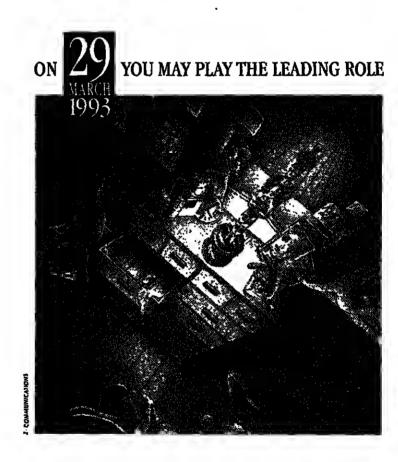
the ministry has been investing going down to 8,000."

lic money in stocks to keep prices from falling further, Mr. Parker be-

lieves the effort is doomed to fail.

The Finance Ministry "finally got rid of all the tokkin fund speculation and the yukuza and all the weasels trading stocks and now they have the government as the higgest stock speculator in the

whole country using public pension funds to do it," he said. "Get the government out and let the market fall to values where people want to own it." Mr. Parker said. "The market is still way overvalued. I've been saying for over a In its most controversial move, year and a half that the Nikkei is



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Polish Privatization Pact

WARSAW — The government and eight major labor unions signed Monday a legislative package giving workers a say in how state-owned enterprises will be privatized.

The pact, subject to parliament's approval, includes tax, social-welfare and privatization laws regulating the transition to private ownership. The package is seen as an attempt by the seven-month-old government of Prime Minister Hanna Suchocka to stave off labor unrest and at the same time accelerate privatization.

The pact will give all state enterprises six months to decide their

The pact will give all state enterprises six months to decide their path to privatization. Options include public sale of shares, transfer of ownership to workers, finding a foreign or domestic investor, or giving a controlling share to a bank or an investment fund.

In all cases, employees will receive a free 10 percent of the shares in their enterprises. In large companies, employees will get board seats. The pact includes debt relief for enterprises that cannot meet their

liabilities because of defaulted payments by other companies.

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Three coming privatizations will Mr. Wood said the net asset value was \$96.79 at the end of January.

and the shares were trading at \$55. hotel chain owned by the Hungarian government. Danibius; a liqueur company. Unicom, and Global, a department store chain, are about to be listed on the Budapest stock exchange, he said.

Like the Austro-Hungary Fund, the Hungarian Investment Fund, a \$100 million fund traded on the London Stock Exchange and man-

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Monday's Prices

NASDAQ prices as of 4 p.m. New York time.

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China Fever Cools as Denway Flops

mpiled by Our Staff From Dispatches HONG KONG - Shares in a China-con-

trolled company. Denway Investment Ltd., failed to sanisfy expectations built up during a failed to satisfy expectations built up during a record offering period when trading began Monday, and analysts said the result could dampen enthusiasm for future Chinese issues. "It was a major disappointment, it was like a bubble that burst today," said Samuel Lau, research manager at Seapower Securities. "People may become more rational in making applications for shares."

People may become more random in making applications for shares."

The auto company's sale of 330 million shares at 1.22 Hong Kong dollars (16 U.S. cents) each—B total of 362 million dollars—lared a record 240 billion dollars of applications of applications. tions for shares, distorted the money market

Exit Bankruptcy

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PERTH, Australia - The failed

Australian businessman Alan

Bond on Monday denied a local

newspaper report that claimed he

was negotiating a 3 billion Austra-lian dollar (\$2.1 billion] coal deat in

Ukraine that would enable him to

The report, in Western Austra-lia's Sunday Times, said Mr. Bond

was negotiating the Ukraine deal for a 15 million Australian dollar

fee that he could then offer to cred-

"That whole story is without

Mr. Bood went bankrupt in

The spokeswoman did confirm

part of the newspaper story: Mr.

Bond. 54, will undergo open-heart

surgery to repair a leaking valve in

his aorta Tuesday. (AFP, Reuters)

foundation," a spokeswoman for

April 1992 after failing to bonor a \$194 million guarantee on a nickel

itors to settle his bankruptcy.

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the businessman said.

venture in Queensland.

and prompted the authorities to review the 1.11 dollars after trading as high as 1.50.

Subscription process.

The shares began trading at 2.50 dollars and touched a high of 2.70 before sinking to close at 2.20. That level left many investors struggling to cover their financing costs. According to Seapower, financing costs

would have been almost as much as the offer price because an investor had to apply for 800,000 shares and put down 976,000 dollars to be certain of getting a mere 2,000 shares.

"Anybody who borrowed money to get in on Denway is losing money at these levels," said Antony Mak of Vickers Ballas. Denway's warrants to buy more shares, which were issued free at a ratio of one for every five shares in the flotation, ended at

In unofficial trading before Monday, prices for a package of one Denway share and one-fifth of a warrant had been trading between 2.70 and 3.00 dollars. Anyone who bought then would be facing a loss of 28 to 58 cents a

share at Monday's close.

Denway is the first company with signifi-cant carmaking interests to be listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange. A 95 percent-owned subsidiary of the company has a 46 percent interest in Guangzhou Peugeot Auto-mobile Co., a joint-venture manufacturer of Peugeot sedans, station wagons and trucks in the southern Chinese city of Guangzhou.

(Bloomberg, Reuters)

Bond Denies Plan To Make Deal to European Unit Widens TNT's Loss

SYDNEY - The international transportation concern TNT Ltd. said Monday that its foreign-currency losses on borrowings and continuing problems at its European express-parcel joint venture dragged the company deeper into delicit in the latest six-month reporting period.

For the six months ended Dec. 31, the first half of TNT's financial year, the company's consolidated loss widened by nearly half to 74.5 million Australian

billion dollars, reflecting the group's sale of 80 percent of its TNT Freightways Corp. in the United States and

other assets. total level of its debt at Dec. 31. However, borrowings totaling 1.26 billion dollars in the six months yielded a to 1 at June 30, 1992. A year earlier, TNT had predicted that it would reduce that ratio to 1 by the end of the current financial year, on June 30.

dollars (\$51.4 million). Reveoue fell 19 percent to 2.81

The debt-burdened company refused to disclose the deht-to-equity ratio of 2.39 to 1, compared with 1.69

Malaysian Stock Draws Heavy Betting on China

KUALA LUMPUR - Speculation that the investment compa-ny Multi-Purpose Holdings had a good shot at landing a lucrative lottery license in China sent the company's shares and other Malaysian stocks soaring Monday, analysts said.

Despite the heavy trading, offi-cials at both the company and the Chinese Embassy said no decision had been made yet on awarding the earning license.

The Kuala Lumpur Stock Exchange's benchmark Composite In-dex gained 6.16 points to 635.59. The Industrials Index reached 1,139.54, up 11.32. Volume swelled to 335.367 million shares — the second-highest on record — from (98.124 million shares last Friday.

"The China story is very strong," said Audrey Ho, senior analyst with Ong & Co. "I don't know whether there is any truth in the story or not."

Multi-Purpose Holdings rose 26 sen, or 12 percent, to 2.44 ringgit (93 U.S. cents) on volume of 28.175

Among its related companies Kamunting Corp. rose 8 sen to 1.28, Dunlop Estates Bhd. gained 95 sen to 7.80 and Magnum Corp. picked up 70 sen to (0.40.

Analysts said the trading was related to renewed rumors that Magnum was moving closer to a gaming

A spokesman for Multi-Purpose said the company had no news about its bid for a license, and a spokesman for the Chinese Embassy here said he was not aware of any developments.

Alice Thomas, a spokesman for the Kuala Lumpur Stock Ex-change, said the exchange would not seek any additional informa-tion from Multi-Purpose about its lottery venture.

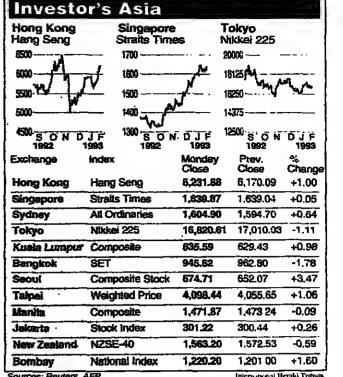
"This is within the normal limits," she said of Monday's trading. "It's B pormal supply and demand situation. We do not query such things."

Magnum and Dunlop Estates al-ready have been directed to report to the exchange every two weeks about the proposed China license. The last did so Fcb. 17, reporting no new developments.

Taiwan Seeks Transfer Of F-16 Technology

TAIPEI - Taiwan will seek aerospace technology from the United States as part of its purchase of 150 F-16 fighter jets for about \$6 billion,

officials said Monday. The government will ask the maker of the planes, General Dynamics Corp., to provide local companies with technology to repair and produce parts for the F-16s when company executives visit Taiwan for talks next month.



Very briefly:

 Janan's Ministry of Finance said total redemnuons of convertible and warrant bonds were forecast to rise to 11 trillion yen (\$92.4 billion) in 1993, from 4.8 trillion yen maturing in 1992.

 Lang Kee (Bermuda) Holdings announced that its sale of 50 million new shares was some 310 times oversubscribed and had brought the company a total of about 17 billion Hong Kong dollars (\$2.2 billion).

• Rodameo NV, the real estate fund of the Robeco Group, said it had agreed to purchase 50 percent stakes in three Australian shopping centers for 650 million guilders (\$353.8 million).

 New China Hong Kong Group Ltd., set up last week by investors from China, Singapore and Hong Kong, has won contracts for a construction project in Beijing and for road construction in the province of Sichuan. w Flexible Corp. of the United States and two Chinese vehicle builders announced a joint venture valued at \$30 million to build luxury buses.

Degussa AG, the German metals processor, has sold its 10.4 percent stake in Pancontinental Mining Ltd. of Australia for about 22 million Australian dollars (\$15,13 million). Bloomberg, Reuters

Lure of Asian Growth Powers Exodus From Australia

CANBERRA - In the last two years, Australia has had the largest exodus of people since the mid-1970s, with an increase in skilled workers going to work in the vibrant economies of Southeast Asia, the Bureau of

Immigration Research said Monday.

A bureau report said that in the two-year fiscal period ending last June 30, more than 60,000 people left Australia permanently. That is equal to about 0.03 percent of the total population of about 1g million.

Of those emigrating, about 30 percent were skilled workers and nearly 32 percent were Australian-born natives, the bureau said. David Ward, a staff member who compiled the burean's report, said that "the brain drain will need to be monitored, especially if departures continue to rise while Australia's immi-

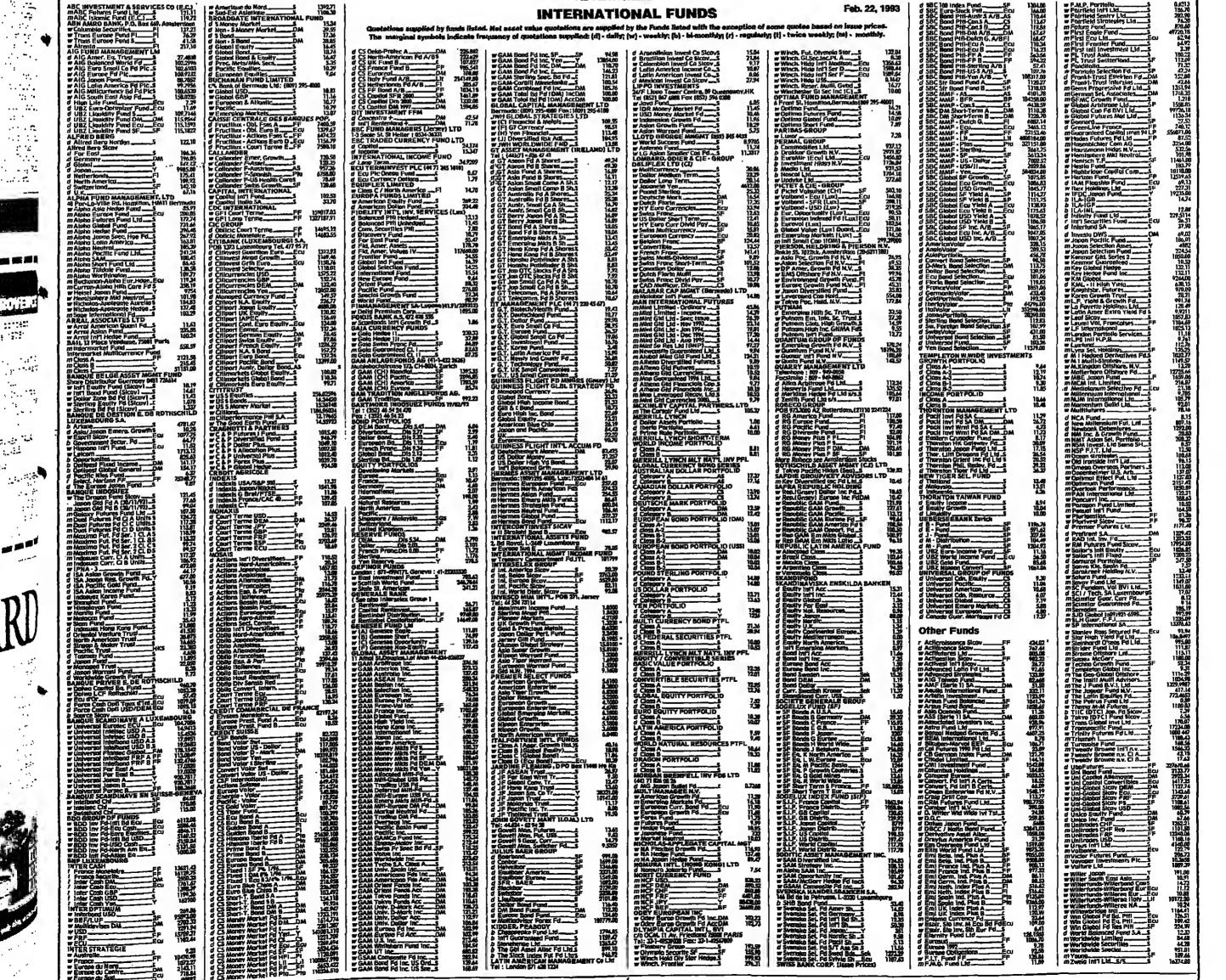
gration intake is reduced." Mr. Ward said increasing numbers of native Australians were leaving to work in rapidly manent residency. They then return to the industrialized nations, such as Hong Kong was the Singapore and Malaysia. Hong Kong was the knowledge they can leave Hong Kong.

fourth-largest destination after New Zealand, Britain and the United States, the bureau said. At the same time, foreign-born Australians often choose to return to their native lands

for a variety of reasons, including better jobs, or because of homesickness or insecurity, Mr. Ward said.

For instance, some Hong Kong natives stay in Australia long enough to acquire per-

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Lou Piniella's Primer On Schott and Loyalty

By Murray Chass New York Times Service PEORIA. Arizona - Lou Piniel-

la's departure from the Cincinnati Reds occurred last October, but it began a year earlier. "It was time for me to move on,"

Piniella said, sitting in his office here at the Seattle Mariners' new spring-training site. "I didn't like some of the things that were done there, and as a manager, I had a chance to come back or move on and I chose to move on.

Marge Schott, the Reds' owner. offered Piniella a two-year contract extension, but it was what she didn't offer in 1991 that precipitated his departure.

"It just wasn't fun," Piniella, the Mariners' new manager, said this weekend, speaking generally of the latter part of his three-year tenure as manager in Cincinnati. Then he cited the specific incident that prompted his decision to leave.

"The biggest thing that didn't leave a good taste was what bap-pened when I had the problem with the umpires," he related. "When I got sued by the umpires, I got no backing from the organization. That started the wheels turning. I think any organization would back their manager. I got nothing financial or anything. I went back in '92 and fulfilled my contract, but when it came time to extend, I chose not to."

In August 1991, Piniella became enraged when Gary Darling, the home-plate umpire in a game against San Francisco, reversed a ruling by another umpire and deprived the Reds' Bill Doran of a home run. After the game, Piniella, he of the legendary temper, said that Darling was hiased against the Reds, Two months later. Darling and the Major League Umpires Association filed a \$5 million defama-tion suit against Piniella.

"I realize I didn't say the right

thing," Piniella said, "It was in the heat of battle, But I got no hacking, It got in my craw. That was the big

If such an incident had occurred when Piniella managed the New York Yankees, from 1986 to 1988. George Steinhrenner, a hoisterous critic of umpires, would probably have hired the best lawyers --- plural - for Piniella, But Schott, who on Feb. 3 was suspended from haseball for a year because of her demeaning racial and ethnic comments, has never had a history of expending money or words on her employees' hehalf.

money on a lawyer to defend Pin- disastrous last-place, 64-98 finish. iella. So Piniella spent his own money on a lawyer and the conflict was settled, with the lawsuit being dropped and the manager's issuing a statement praising umpires in general and Darling in particular, saying he regretted making comments "that may have maligned his character in any way."

Now, at the age of 49, with six years of managing behind him, Pin-iella has a new job with a three-year contract. He did not remain unemployed long once he informed Schott he would not return to Cin-

> 'I got no backing. It got in my craw. That was the big

Lou Piniella

cinnati, although he had no job guarantee when he acted. "My wife asked, 'What if you don't get another job?" Piniella related. "I wasn't sure I would get one. Who knows? There are only 28

jobs. It was possible f could never have managed again. You have to take chances, If you're not willing to take chances, you never know, If the Mariners or another team hadn't offered him a job. Piniella said, he was confident he could have found something to do in hasehall. If not, the business world awaited. After his first season with the Reds, the one in which the team was in first place from first day to last, then breezed through the pen-nant playoff and the World Series,

raise his salary. She did nearly doubling it, and he didn't. "I think I could have been an assistant to the general manager in a scouting, consulting sort of way,"

he told Schott he was prepared to

If no one else had offered a joh. Piniella is certain his old friend. Steinbrenner, would have.

The Yankees still have a special place." he said. "I was there a long time. If George didn't take a chance on me managing. I wouldn't be a manager. I like the guy; I really do. He's a pistol. I'm sure he likes me." going on."

As one of her former employees explained Sunday, she reasoned that she didn't make the comment that ahout Darling and therefore little life, with only one winning sea-shouldn't have had to spend her son (1991), which was followed by a

Woody Woodward, the Mariners' general manager, wanted Piniella be-cause Piniella has been a winner, as a player and a manager. Winning is a foreign word to the Mariners.
This is a first-class organize

tion," Piniella said of Seattle. "We just have to bring a winning tradi-tion to it. Other people before me failed. Last year they took a big step backward. That's why I'm here hasically. I expect us to play well. I'm not looking at it as a rebuilding process. I'm looking at it as estab-

lishing a winning tradition."
As a player, Piniella was never a natural atanything, hitting, baserun-ning or playing the outfield. But in-tense work and concentration on his hitting mechanics made him a career 291 hitter, alertness made him a de-ceptively good baserunner and all-out effort enabled him to reach more fly balls than he was expected to catch. He made himself a winning

"It's a commitment, it's a dedica-tion, it's a passion," he said, defining the start of a winning tradition. "You have to have the talent; the team has to be put together the right way, but I would describe it as a commitment and having pride in what you do."

Players, though, are the ones who create the winning, not the manager, he explained. As he talked he took off the World Series ring he wore on his right hand. "I have my Yankee ring back on, the one from 1977," he said. "I'm back in the American League so I'll put my Yankee ring back on."

But isn't he proud of what he and the Reds accomplished in 1990?
"I'm very proud of '90," he responded, "I'm exceedingly proud of '90 — what we accomplished become a businessman if she didn't and what the players did. But as a manager, I have to take a backseat. I'm there to supervise, hopefully contribute, but the players are the

ones who deserve the credit."
Yet Piniella remains a compelling personality. Consider the most recent special aspect of his career. In the wake of his departure from the Yankees, Steinbrenner was suspended. No sooner did he leave the

Reds than Schott was suspended. "Yeah," Piniella said, breaking

Players Who Chose Arbitration Averaged Raises of 110%



Gary Carter gave some catching tips to Charles Johnson at the Mariners' training camp. Carter, who had a long career with the Mets and Expos, will be in the Mariners' broadcasting booth this season.

Winfield Reports Early to Twins

The outfielder, who will be 42 on the final day of the season, report-ed early Sunday to training camp at Twins' manager, Tom Kelly. Fort Myers, Florida, after signing

in December as a free agent. "I got a lot of work to do and plenty of time to do it," he said.

last season with 26 homers and 108 "But we do have Paul Molitor, a Dave Winfield is eager to start RBIs. He even got the decisive hit his career with the Minnesota of the World Series in the 11th inning of Game 6.
"Even if he sails off a little, that's

At Dunedin, Florida, the Blue Jays were talking about replacing

Winfield's hat.

"The absence of a Dave Winfield Winfield hit 290 for the World will hurt, no doubt about it," hit-Series champion Toronto Blue Jays ting instructor Larry Hisle said.

young Ed Sprague and a young Derek Bell. I believe those three will offset the absence of a Dave Winfield and I think we should score as many runs as we did last year. Maybe more."

A few miles away, the Boston Red Sox were happy that Roger Clemens arrived when they asked him to: eight days after the volun-tary reporting date last year, but before the mandatory date set by the collective bargaining agree-

"I'm not here early. I'm not here late." Clemens said. "I don't know why it's such a big story. I mean if I ready. I'd get down here in Janu-

Clemens said Boston's 73-89 record last year and its first last-place finish since 1932 was part of the reason for his arrival.

"It's getting tougher and tougher to leave home and leave the troops behind," Clemens said, "but it would be good to get down here and get my mind set right on what needs to be done. How poorly we performed last year is a real good reason to get down here."

Around the World Record In Sailing Faces Battering

LES SABLES D'OLONNE, France — The record for sailing around the world is likely to be broken three times in the next month, organizers of the Vendée Globe single-handed yacht race said

They said Alain Gautier of France, who leads the race, is on course to break the record of 109 days, 8 hours and 48 minutes set by Titouan Lamazou of France when he won the race four years ago. Gautier, who left Les Sables d'Olonne in western France on Nov.

22, is in the Atlantic less than 4,000 nautical miles from the finish, which he must reach before March 12 to beat Lamazou's time. But his record might not last long. Philippe Poupon of France, who is lying second, had to return to the start for repairs after setting sail and finally left five days later. But he, too, is on course to break the record, organizers said, even if he does so without winning the race, which is a first-past-the-post affair.

A third Frenchman, Yves Parlier, also had to go back for repains and had set out again 10 days late. But organizers said he is setting the fastest pace of all and was four days inside the record time.

Furthermore, three faster catamarans set off from France at the end of January in a \$1 million challenge to beat the fictional 80-day trip by Jules Verne's character Phileas Fogg. They are due to return

SIDELINES

Sivertsen Wins Nordic 10K Race

FALUN, Sweden (AP) — Sture Sivertsen of Norway won his first major individual title Monday, edging Vladimir Smirnov of Kazakhastan hy 3.9 seconds in the 10-kilometer cross country race in the World Nordic

Six Championships.

Sivertsen, upset after being dropped from Norway's team in the opening 30-kilometer race Saturday, trailed Smirnov at the six-kilometer mark but finished with a blistering pace. Sivertsen, 26, covered the classical-style race, held in perfect conditions under sunny stres, in 24 minutes, 51.6 seconds.

Vegard Ulvang, a three-time gold medalist in last year's Olympics in Albertville, France, was 6.5 seconds behind in third place.

• Germany successfully defended its World Luge Championship team fille in Calgary, Alberta, with Austria second and Italy third. (Reuters)

Kenya's Ngugi in Dispute With IAAF

NAIROBI (Reuters) — Kenya's five-time world cross country champion, John Ngugi, faces a four-year ban by the International Amateur Athletic Federation for refusing to take a random dope test, a senior

IAAF official said Monday.

John Weston, the leader of the IAAF's team of doctors, said that Ngug refused to take a random test last week and that he was forwarding hi

report to the IAAF for action.

Ngugi, winner of the 1988 Olympics' 5,000-meter gold medal, said he had declined to take the test because the IAAF's team of doctors who visited his rural home at Nyahururu, 300 kilometers north of Nairobi, had failed to identify themselves. Butch Reynolds, the 400-meter world record-holder coming back

from a controversial 2½-year drug suspension by the IAAF, won at the U.S. national trials to gain a place on the 400-meter squad for next month's World Indoor Championships.

Lakers Trade Perkins to Sonics

SEATTLE (AP) - The Seattle SuperSonics acquired Sam Perkins

SEATTLE (AP) — The Seattle Supersonics acquired Sam Perins from the Los Angeles Lakers on Monday in a trade for fittle-need center Benoit Benjamin and the rights to Doug Cheistie, the Pepperdine Swingman who was a first-round pick in last June's draft but never, signet.

The Santa Monica Outlook newspaper reported that the Lakers also were seeking a trade with the Dallas Mavericks for the rights to another unsigned rookie, Jim Jackson of Ohio State. Dallas reportedly was seeking Laker center Vlade Divac and rookie guard-forward Anthony Peeler in exchange for the rights to Jackson.

For the Record

Africa, because of a back mjury.

The Tour de France in 1994 will start in the northern city of Lille on July 2, followed by the first stage to Armentieres the next day, it was announced Monday.

(Remers)

Lester Piggott, 57, the English jockey making a comeback from a serious injury at the Breeders Cup meeting in the United States last

November, withdrew Monday from the Hong Kong race meeting on Wednesday after receiving a facial cut from horse's head. (Reuters)
Phil Mickelson, cheered by a partisan gallery of family, friends and
former schoolmates in La Jolla, California, won his hometown tourna-

ment, the Buick Invitational, with a 7-under-par 65 that beat runner-up Dave Rummells by four strokes. Pat Clinton of Britain, the WBO flyweight champion, has postponed his March 6 fight in Glasgow, Scotland, against Jake Matlala of South

DENNIS THE MENACE

113 percent increase in 1981.

NEW YORK - Judging by salary arbi-

The 118 players in arhitration increased

The players increased their salaries from

an average of \$756,911 to \$1,586,332, the survey showed. The increase of \$829,421 was

the most in the 19-year history of arbitration

topping the previous record of \$714,644, set

last year. The percentage increase topped last year's 100 percent and was below only the

Seventy-three players doubled their sala-

their salaries by an average of 110 percent

tration, times aren't tough in baseball.

this winter, according to a survey.



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Pitcher Greg Hibbard of the Chicago Cubs got the biggest increase, a 555 percent jump from \$210,000 to \$1,375,000. Hibbard was 10-7 with a 4.40 ERA last season for the Chicago White Sox. He was taken by the Florida Marlins in the expansion draft last Nov. 17, then dealt immediately to the Cuhs.

the number who quadrupled.

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their earnings five-fold. The number of play-

ers doubling was down by 11 from last year, when 157 players were in arbitration. The

ries, including 37 who tripled, 17 who got inate it from the next collective bargaining. The six players who won their hearings four-fold increases and five who increased agreement with the players' association degot an average 174 percent increase from spite a 12-6 advantage in decisions this year and a 199-160 lead since the process began in 1974. It's easy to see why from the results.

number who tripled was up by four, as was Angeles, Erik Hanson of Seattle, Joe Magrane of St. Louis and David Wells of Tomultiyear contracts, up from 10 last year and the same as in 1991. Six other arbitrationbecause he got a two-year deal; Magrane and Wells both got performances bonuses that could leave them with raises when the

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\$842,500 to \$2,308.333. The 12 who lost got an average 55 percent increase from \$878,542 to \$1,357,500. The 100 who settled There were 111 players who got raises this got an average 113 percent increase from year, three who got the same salary and four \$737,180 to \$1,570,472.

eligible players agreed to multiyear deals before filing, topped by Ken Griffey Jr.'s \$24 million, four-year deal with the Seattle Mariners, the richest deal for a player with less than six years of major league service.

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SPORTS

Shooting Is Real For Croatia Cagers **Embattled Olympic Stars** Now Struggle in War Zone

By Ian Thomsen International Herald Tribune
SPLIT, Croatia — This country has earned little reward this harsh winter for the Olympic silver medal in basketball won last summer. At least two of its courts needed con-

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siderable repair after being struck by shells. Its best club players fled to other countries. Some of those remaining spent their offseason shooting at the enemy. A few have At least one is missing. He joined the Croatian Army with four team-mates from the club team Osijek-Koteks. The governing sentiment in these times is that citizens must

best. Two players from last year's team quit Osijek, while two more—centers Ivo Hrgovic and Velimir Terzic—were on the court for Osijek in a recent game bere againsi Split's once great cluh team, Slobodna Dalmacija. They played not knowing whether to mourn or hope for Gjakno Arko. who last season was a teammate playing a forward position.

dn fur their country what they do

We only know that he went into the army," says the coach, Pero Vucica, "After that, nobody knows

out of contention

whole organization.

ing their muscles.

Slobodna Dalmacija spends wisely, investing every weekday in the training of more than 400 players. From 7 A.M. until 10 P.M. its

main gym is filled with the thumps

and squeaks of one youth team after another. While one group is

finishing practice, the players of another are on the sideline, stretch-

nior team. As juniors, their funda-

mental improvement is emphasized

by the developmental coach, Zla-

tan Kalajzic, who prefers that they learn to relax in the crucial minutes

ver medalists who lost to the U.S.

On a recent Saturday night, Slo-

bodna Dalmacija invited Osijek-

Koteks to Split. Two years ago, the

game might have lured 3,000 spec-

ators, at as much as \$10 a ticket.

This year, perhaps 1,000 showed

up, paying the equivalent of 25 cents per ticket. The painted lines

on the court were worn thin where

tomorrow's stars had been practic-

ing all day, every day. The team

from Osijek had no hope of win-

ning, but that, ultimately, is not its

Within the week it would be

'Dream Team" in the final.

The most important thing is that we keep playing basketball.' Mihovil Nakica

secretary-general of the Croatian Basketball Federation.

where he is or what has happened

When Croatia announced its independence in June 1991, and fought to defend itself against the former Yugoslav Army, it was all the new Croatian Basketball Federation could do to complete a twomonth tournament involving eight clubs in its first division. Plans for this season were more ambitious. Ten clubs were to play in the first division, with three lesser divisions of 25 teams. Two women's divisions

of 16 teams also were arranged. In the coastal city of Zadar, where another first division team plays, more than \$30,000 had to be spent to repair some of the destruc-tion caused by shells that had struck the gymnasium and club offices. Two starting players got leave from the army, returning to the resurrected Zadar arena in time to play three European Cup tournament games. However, circum-stances have since forced the club -to play its home games in Zagreb. At best, the arena in Zadar is fit

only for practices. This week we have two or three shells hitting Zadar," says the club director, Jure Kosta. "Our team starts training at 10:30 A.M. The shelling start, the sirens go off. At 11:30 we have to stop practice and get oo bus to Zagreb, to finish prac-

The 300-kilometer (185-mile) hus ride from Zadar to Zagreb takes seven hours, lengthened by the destruction of the Maslenica Bridge near Zadar. The decision to group the 25 lesser men's clubs into three geographical divisions was forced by the Maslenica Bridge. Once allowances have been made for the war zones, the bridge poses the greatest impediment in basketball-crazy Dalmatia, the coastal region of Croatia.

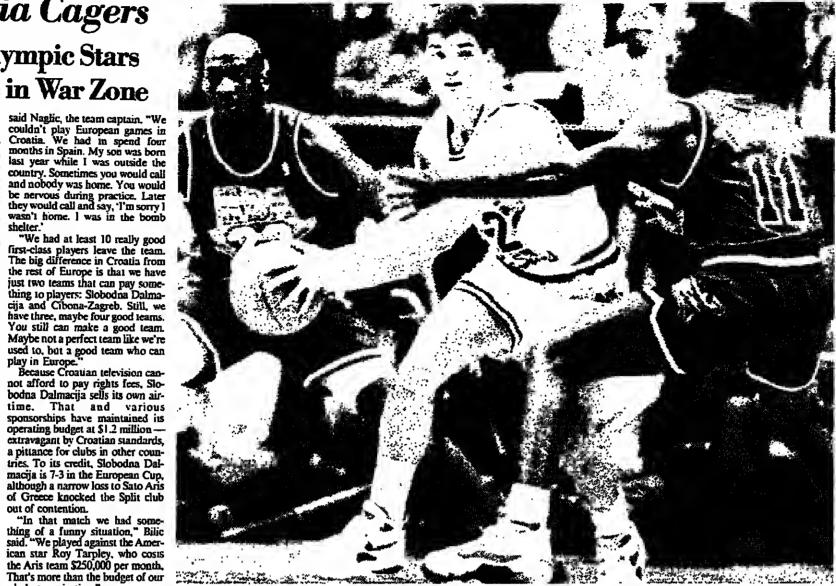
The basketball federation imposes minimum budgets and salaries for its clubs. None are being enforced this year. The average salary in Croatia has shrunk to 10 percent of what it was before the war. The majority of professional players are receiving little or no money.

"For somebody who lives in a normal, organized society, it's hard to understand the difficulties of the world we have," says Mihovil Nakic, secretary-general of the Cro-atian Basketball Federation. "We are having this league just to revive organized basketball and the players in this country, to forget th problems teams and cities are ha ing. The most important thing that we keep playing basketball.

Prior to the war, the team the played here in Split was probabl the world's best outside the Unite States. It won three straight Euro pean club championships in 198 91 under its sponsors' names Jugoplastika and, later, Pop 84. To day, the 49-year-old club goes h the name of another sponsor. Sic bodna Dalmacija, the Split-base newspaper which, itself, is strug gling to maintain a free voice de spite pressure from the Croatia government.

Two years ago, says the clu manager, Josep Bilic, be was negoti ating with Montedison, the Italia multinational corporation, to spor sor the club under the name Eurosugar. Growing tensions with in then-Yugoslavia scared away the Italians and other suitors. Withou foreign investment, the club coul not afford to keep Tony Kukoc Dino Radja and other Split stars who have since signed lucrative contracts with foreign chibs. On forwards Aramis Naglic and To Cizmic remain from the European champion of two years ago. "Last season was really awful,"

NBA West Wins Heated All-Star Game in Overtime



John Stockton, who was co-MVP with Jazz teammate Karl Malone, got the attention of Michael Jordan, rear, and Isiah Thomas.

Jordan vs. Majerle: A Playoff Preview?

By Harvey Araton

New York Times Service Winning becomes the priority for only the best players — after they have graduated onto the se-SALT LAKE CITY, Utah -The All-Star Game offered a preview of Dan Majerle, one of the best defenders in the National Basketball Association, versus Michael Jordan, the best player in the world. Is Majerle vs. Jordan, The

Series, coming this spring?

"If we both get to the finals, that will be one the highlights," the Chicago Bulls' Jordan said of the matchup between himself and his hisof close games. They are an organization based on man-to-man defense and movement without the ball. If Croatia, a country of fewer than 5 million, cannot recreate the All-Star shadow, the Phoenix Suns' playgrounds of America, then this Majerle, after the Western Confersurely is the best alternative for ence outlasted Jordan and the East, developing players. The club pro-vided six members of last summer's 135-132, in overtime. "I can already see the stories in the newspa-Olympic team, one-half of the sil-

Down the stretch of an All-Star Game that suddenly picked up the kind of defensive intensity atypical of this indoor playground, Jordan looked into Majerle's face every time he crossed midcourt with the East in possession of the ball.

The fact that his coach with the Suns, Paul Westphal, was pushing the West's buttons figured in Ma jerie, who was not a starter, playing the final 4 minutes, 44 seconds of the fourth quarter and all of overtime. But as Westphal said, "The guy's not a good defensive player, he's a great defensive player. So who else would you put on Michael

playing again in its own city where, the coach reports, 900 civilians have died in the fighting. The team would be bused into Osijek through Jordan said: "Sure, I would have put him on me. Listen, he's one of the best. He plays hard. He comthe one entry point not under the petes. He wears his heart on his guns of Serbian forces. It would sleeve. I don't know him very well, play in a gymnasium demolished but when he guards me, I can feel last year by 10 shells. One shell burst through the roof and explodthe tension. I enjoy the challenge."

To which the 6-foot, 6-inch ed at center court. It cost \$30,000 to (1.98-meter) Majerle added: "I enpartially rebuild the arena. joy the opportunity to guard him.

No one can stop him, but who wouldn't want to try?" For each game in Osijck, at least 1,500 fans arrive, in spite of their Jordan led the East with 30 team's 6-11 record against weakpoints, but struggled on his jump shot, making 10 of his 24 shots. At ened competition, We are not in trouble from the results of this season," says the one point late in the fourth quarter, with the East trailing by 117-112, Jordan actually had to shove Ma-

coach, Vucica. "It's very important to get up the morale of the people." For the world's runner-up baskethall power, this may prove to be its strongest season of all.



David Robinson and rookie Shaquille O'Neal shared a ball if not teams at the All-Star Game.

to ice the game by missing free sending it into overtime. throws and Mark Price's 3-pointer But Majerle's defense throws and Mark Price's 3-pointer
made it 117-115, Jordan rose to the
challenge. Isolating on Majerle
period, the last three coming when (who had just made a foul shot) in the center of the court, be drove jerle's own 3-pointer gave the West right for a 15-fonter that made it 118-117. Then after Tim Hardaway's foul shot, he again beat Majerle off the dribble, penetrated the lane, and found Patrick

Cincinnati made a great come-back, but Arizona had the best fin-

Chris Mills put Arizona ahead

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

for good with a three-point play, and the No. 4 Wildcats held No. 8

Cincinnati scoreless in the final

three minutes for a 70-60 victory

Naturally, once the West failed footer that tied the game at 119,

the game was decided, and Maa 124-123 lead it never relin-

quished.
"What I try to do is make him take a shot he's not really comfortable with, keep him outside and a Ewing on the baseline for a 15- hand in his face," said Majerle.

"And it's not like you can count on that working."

The Bulls are trying to win their third straight title. The Suns have the best record in the league. If they meet in the finals, there would be a bonanza of high-profile players and matchups. But none, possibly, might figure more in the outcome of the series.

"We've both got a lot of work to do," said Majerle. "But, yeah, I've thought about it. Probably will

But Arizona, which played much of the second half without center

Ed Stokes because of foul prob-

lems, got the lead back at 54-52 on

Mills made it 58-54 with a lay-

up, but Cincinnati countered with a 6-0 run, and the Bearcats held a 60-58 lead with 3:19 to go.

Then Arizona's Reggie Geary

a 3-pointer by guard Damon Stou-

O'Neal, Other Newcomers **Add Intensity to Contest**

By David Aldridge

Washington Post Service SALT LAKE CITY, Utah — It was litting in an all-star weekend in which so much was made of the infusion of new stars into the National Basketball Association's showcase event that the game than Jord Nami defect something different Nami in the air.

in the air.

And the 43d All-Star Game, won by the Western Conference in overtime, 135-132, over the Eastern Conference, did have a different feel and intensity to it than many other recent such games.
First, there was defense. Not just

nosed defense, switching off and double-teaming and rotating to cover open shooters. The kind of defense that's played in real NBA games. There were momentum surges and situational substitutions and strategy. There were big shots and key rebounds.

The sellout crowd of 10 cm.

The sellout crowd of 19,459 at the Delta Center in Salt Lake City got what it wanted Sunday: two hometown players, Malone and John Stockton of the Utah Jazz, shared the Most Valuable Player award. Malone scored 28 points and took 10 rebounds in claiming his second All-Star Game MVP trophy. Stockton had 15 assists and end, and the West had its second scored four of his nine points in straight all-star victory, having won overtime, when the West got just far enough ahead to hold off yet

There were a lot of young guys, which means they want to go out there and win as bad as any-thing, and in the so-called older group, everybody was competing very hard. To me, it was a lot of fum. I like playing games like that." Michael Jordan scored a game-

high 30 points for the East, but his team wouldn't have had a chance if it hadn't been for the three-point shooting of the Cleveland Cava-liers' guard, Mark Price, Price, who won Saturday's three-point sbooting contest, hit six three-pointers in the second half of Sunday's game, accounting for 18 of his 19 points. Patrick Ewing of New York, sup-planted in the starting lineup by Shaquille O'Neal, the rookie from Orlando, scored 10 of his 15 points in the fourth quarter and in overtime, including the basket with 8.1 seconds left in regulation that sent the game into the extra session.

In the overtime, the West took control with a 10-2 run that overcame a two-point East lead and left the West up, 131-125, with 1:28 to go on a three-pointer from Charles Barkley of Phoenix (16 points). The East got within three twice, the second time on Jordan's three-pointer from the left corner with 25.3 seconds left that made it 133-130.

After Tim Hardaway of Golden State missed two free throws a second later, the East had a chance to tie. Price drove the lane hard, lonking for Isiah Thomas of Detroit (eight points) in the right corner for a three-point shot. Stockton anticipated the pass and forced Price to throw the ball just out of Thomas's reach. Thomas had no choice but to throw the ball hlindly back in bounds, where David Robinson of the West stole it.

Robinson was fouled with 13.5 seconds left and made one of two free throws for a four-point West lead. Jordan missed at the other

St. 82: Bobby Hurley tied his school record with 15 assists and

made two key 3-point shots to put a damper on Jim Valvano's return to

Revnolds Coliseum in Raleigh,

It was an emotionally charged

afternoon for the Wolfpack. The

school celebrated the 10th anniver-

sary of its 1983 NCAA champion-

ship, and the ceremony was capped by the appearance of Valvano, the former N.C. State coach who is

Valvano gave a rousing speech to

the capacity crowd, then stepped

aside to provide commentary for a

national telecast as his former team

took a halftime lead, then shot at a

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straight all-star victory, having won by 40 points last year.

O'Neal scored 13 of his 14 points another East challenge.
"If you're out there competing and working hard, you'll have a lot more fun, and it's going to be a good game for the fans." Stockton on Robinson 29 seconds after the on Robinson 29 seconds after the tipoff, Youthful indiscretion, perhaps, but maybe also a message to the rest of the world. As he said this week when he was compared to Superman: "I'm Shaq. Superman is

It caught the attention of some veterans.

"You saw more competitiveness in this game than in quite a few All-Star games," Joe Dumars of De-troit said. "Shaquille opened it up with a hard foul right away. That kind of sets the tone — there's a new era, there're new guys in here, and they're competing. It kind of carries over to everybody else. Those guys have never experienced

Said Jordan: "Everything sur-rounding the all-star weekend was built around Shaq, and Larry Johnson, and Scottie (Pippen) and David Robinson were also both getting attention, and I think that's good for the game. I think the com-petitive atmosphere out on the court was similar to what the Olympic players went through in Monte Carlo. Everybody wanted to be at their best and win."

O'Neal said he had thought he would have first-quarter jitters. But after he went up and got fouled and hit both free throws, he said, "I took a deep breath, and I was all right. It was a well-fought game," he said, adding: "I think I did all right. I really didn't do much, but I think I did all right." He said he would have liked to have been out there" in the fourth quarter, but Pat Riley, the coach for the East squad, "brought in the more experienced guys.

But, he said: "That's all right. I'll be there next year."

■ Next: A Team in Toronto? Toronto may be the next city, States, awarded an NBA franchise, The Associated Press reported.

The league's expansion committee met before the All-Star Game and, according to a statement, "indicated that it was favorably disposed toward expanding to Cana-

The only Canadian group to have applied for a franchise is the Toronto-based Palestra Group, headed by businessman Lawrence Tanenbaum. The league said it ex-pects to receive applications from other interested Canadian parties.

The committee doesn't expect any expansion in take place before the 1995-96 season.

The NBA grew to 27 franchises in its last expansion; Charlotte and Miami joined in 1988, followed by Minnesota and Orlando in 1989. Another franchise would allow the league to have four seven-team di-

The expansion committee will meet again in April and then report to the NBA Board of Governors later that month. The full board must vote on any expansion.

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the lead midway through the sec9:34 left. ond half. But Arizona regained the lead on Mills's three-point play, which broke a 60-60 tie. "We got tired a little bit when

they came back, but we got our second wind and did a better job rebounding," said Mills, who fin-ished with 23 points as the Wildcats (19-2) extended their school-record inning streak to 17 games. Nick Van Exel carried the Bearcats (20-3), tying his career high

with 31 points. "We tried to go inside to the big men, but their shots weren't falling, so somebody had to score," Van Exel said. "We had some guys who were timid and a little nervous."

Van Exel, who had 18 points in 47-46 lead on two free throws with

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tied it with a loose-ball lay-up, Mills made it 63-60 with an offensive-rebound basket and the ensuing free throw, and Khalid Reeves

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hit a short jumper, giving the Wild-cats a 65-60 lead. Free throws by Mills, Reeves and Stoudamire down the stretch sealed the victory.

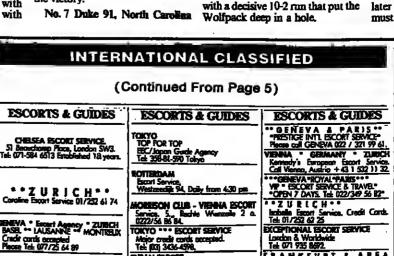
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Hey Nanny Nanny

WASHINGTON — A Washington lawyer friend of mine Court Justice David Souter." named Michael Spekter called me in the middle of the night and said excitedly, "What do you think of this? I've been reading up on the new attorney general appointee, Janet Reno, who maintains that she doesn't have a 'nanny' problem because she has no children.

"Listen to this. She's got guts, she has integrity and doesn't take any stuff from anybody. Furthermore, she was a great state's attorney, she's single, and she has a mind of her own. "There's

more. She lived in a rustic cabin Buchwald with her aged mother in the Everglades. Reno is crazy about the outdoors and enjoys hiking and ca-

noeing and bird-watching

I said, "Get to the point, Michael, it's I o'clock in the morn-

"Everyone agrees that she isn't as neat as a pin, but on the other hand she's not in favor of the death penalty nor is she pro-life - yet she follows the law."

"I've been doing a computer search for a mate for her all evening, and I think that I've come up

Britain Cuts Estimate Of Windsor Restoration

LONDON — Restoring Windsor Castle after a devastating fire in November will cost up to £40 million (about \$58 million), considerahly less than the £60 million originally thought, the government said Monday.

Peter Brooke, the secretary of state for national heritage, said in a written parliamentary reply that "a very broad initial estimate of the cosis of restoration suggests a fig-ure in the range of £30 million to £40 million depending on the form of restoration. The Nov. 20 blaze destroyed much of the northeast

"You're crazy, Michael." "Hear me out. Justice Souter lived alone in a house which he had rebuilt himself in New Hampshire with his aged mother.

"He likes hiking and nature and the outdoors. I couldn't find out if he was neat or not, but from what I've seen I wouldn't put him on any best-dressed list. He has a mind of his own and has come to many decisions that Reno agrees with, much to the horror of the conservatives on the court. What makes it an incredible situation is that they are both single."

"You've done your homework, Michael, hut where are you going

"I don't think it's a coincidence that Reno was selected. I believe that Hillary is behind it. Perhaps she persuaded Bill to appoint someone to the Justice Department wbo had the same résumé as a Supreme Court justice."

"It's an interesting match — so let's just follow through on it. Suppose Souter and Reno face each other in the court, their eyes lock, and it's love at first sight. Then they get married. You know what some thing like that could lead to?"

Right, and what do kids lead

"Souter and Reno need a nanny in order to fulfill their duties," Michael said. "Like most Americans they can't find one with a green card. I have a solution. They h illegal nanny and they get President Clinton to pardon her.

"That could work. What do you plan to do with all this matchmakmaterial?

"I thought that you might plant it in the paper. It would give Souter and Reno something to think

"But they hoth like to live alone," I pointed out. "Won't matchmaking spoil their fun?" "They could still be alone. They could alternate between New Hampshire and the Everglades and

read each other's briefs, "You've done wonderful work,"

1 lold Michael. "I'll send it up the Justice Department flag pole and see who salutes."

Eric Clapton: The Music of Mourning

By Charles M. Young New York Times Service

TEW YORK -- In a year character-I ized by the ragged flannel shirts, shapeless long hair and odd guitar tunings of grunge, Eric Clapton presented the most memorable image of 1992; a middleaged man hunched over an acoustic guitar, singing quietly and sadly about death.

A huge hit that deals seriously with mourning naked in its sentiment but unbesmirched by schmaltz, Tears in Heaven," on the album "Unplugged," is rare in rock history. The Grammys have noticed with nine nominations.

After centuries as a major inspiration in folk music, death has made only sporadic appearances in rock 'n' roll. The melodramatic genre of "teen-age tragedy" produced a few hits in the early '60s, like "Last Kiss" by J. Frank Wilson. Every few years someone scores with a tribute song like "Missing You" by Diana Ross.

But true mourning has mostly been ignored and is plainly a subject whose time has come. So if "Unplugged" sweeps the Grammys on Wednesday, it won't be because the National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences wants to compensate for having ignored Clapton's past accomplishments (among them: pioneering British blues and metal and introducing reggae to a mass audience with his cover of Bob Marley's "I Shot the Sheriff"). At 47, he is now

speaking to his generation more effectively than he has in more than two decades. On Aug. 27, 1990, a helicopter crash killed his friend, Stevie Ray Vanghan, and three members of Clapton's road crew after a concert in Alpine Valley, Wiscon-sin. Vaughan and Clapton had jammed that night and everyone agreed they were in top form. After long struggles with addiction, both had achieved sobriety to reclaim their position as the reigning blues guitarists of their generation. Then sud-denly one of them was dead.

Less than a year later, Clapton's 4-yearold son, Conor, fell to his death from an ungnarded window in his mother's Manhattan apartment. Under such dire circumstances, the basic questions of theology — "Why?" and "Where is he now?" —

assume new urgency.

Almost folk art in its simplicity, "Tears in Heaven" offers no answers, just accep-tance in the face of "Why?" and poignant, hesitant hope for "Where is he now?" Clapton wonders what's possible in beav-

en — will the departed know his name, be capable of friendship and love? And ultimately Clapton offers stoic strength, concluding that he doesn't belong in heaven just yet and will carry on with life.
"Unplugged" is one of the most surprising phenomena on the Billboard charts in



After his son's death, Clapton poured his grief into his music.

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everal years. It is currently Warner Brothers' biggest-selling album, at four million in the United States and another four million overseas. It is Eric Clapton's biggest-selling record and a stark contrast to his 1991 live album, "24 Nights," a document of his annual concert series at the Albert Hall in London ("24 Nights" sold 250,000 on release, with the tally now 500,000 because of the influence of "Unplugged"). Many millions of people plainhave found something in Clapton's music that they didn't see in his recent past.

The chief musical appeal of "Unplugged" is the singing of someone who was called "God" by his fans for his electric guitar-playing since the early '60s. Clapton's voice has become an even more subtle instrument than his guitar. His un-

derstated phrasing is exquisite. So, un-avoidably, "Unplugged" is easy listening. The nine hlues standards and five Clapton originals have an acoustic accompaniment that is even more understated than Clapton's vocal. Baby boomers have lost the habit of buying records as they started families but haven't lost the habit of reading their lives into songs; so it's the perfect album to get semi-balding mortgage-pay-ers to brave a record store stuffed with young acolytes of Nirvana and Pearl Jam.

Clapton seems to have been born to sublimate. The son of a Canadian soldier who abandoned Eric's English mother shortly after his birth in 1945, he was raised by his grandparents, who tried to hide his illegitimacy. In school, his education was typical of

rock musicians: sensitive, artistic and physically weak, he considered himself an outcast and identified with a small group of social misfits who liked Buddy Holly. His life was changed forever when he

heard Robert Johnson for the first time, experiencing the pain of his own wounds and the eerie power of the musical genius from the distant Mississippi Delta, At 17, he picked up the guitar and practiced

fanatically and progressed fantastically, becoming the first of three great guitarists — the others being Jeff Beck and Jimmy Page — to lead the Yardbirds.

Though hugely influential for a million garage bands in this country, the Yard-birds were more rock than blues, and Clapton's purist instincts were not satisfied. Just as the band was taking off he quit to join John Mayall's Bluesbreakers, in which, in 1966, he recorded "Blues-breakers, John Mayall With Eric Clapton," a classic of British bines. His creativity soon outstripped his purism, however. and he went on to found Cream, with Ginger Baker and Jack Bruce.

Although Clapton's reputation is built more on his sublime taste than on innovation (Jimi Hendrix was the revolutionary). Cream was the first power trio and expand ed the boundaries of rock, jazz and blues. The guitar tone he achieved on "Fresh Cream" remains a sort of Holy Grail for beavy-metal aspirants. One can even see his taste: over the years, he has reinvented his appearance with almost every album and never looked silly -a claim that could be made for few others in rock.

Hopelessly infatuated with Party Boyd, wife of his close friend George Harrison, Clapton poured the pain of unrequited love into the two-record album "Layla," recorded with a new band called Derek and the Dominos. The intensity was just this side of unbearable, and many of the

songs remain staples of classic-rock radio.
The album also showcased his acoustic potential in the little-noticed but beautiful Thorn Tree in the Garden." When the Dominos fell apart in 1971, unable to sustain their high level of creativity and drug intake, Clapton retreated for a couple of years in to beroin addiction. He eventually beat his habit, but when he returned to recording, he preferred a more relaxed approach, scoring occasional hits with slow shuffles like "After Midnight."

By the early '80s, his career had faded not quite to obscurity but certainly to irrelevance. Even his legendary taste began to fail him, as he recorded a beer commercial just before going into rehabilitation for alcoholism in 1987.

Besides taste. Clapton's great strength has been passion, an ability to pour his resent feelings into the ancient art form of hines, adhering to Ezra Pound's dictum of making it new. Without alcohol to anesthetize his pain, he has had no place to put it but in his music, making grief a little more bearable for the rest of the baby boom generation.

Charles M. Young, executive editor of Musician magazine, wrote this for The New

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2 Films From 2 Chinas Share a 'Bear' in Berlin

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The bright lights of Broadway outshined California's sum in the wooing of David Letterman. CES. has announced it is buying the land. mark Ed Sullivan Theatre for the late-night talk show star, who is leaving NBC this summer. But while New York will be Letterman's "per-manent home," the network added that the show would make "extended visits" to Los Angeles. It reportedly is costing CBS \$4 million to buy the theater and the 14-story office building adjacent to it. α.

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The American soprano Jessye Norman won the top prize in the 1992 Symphony Hall international music awards in Osaka, organizers said. Norman won the grand prize of 5 million yen (\$42,700) for her performance at a recital last Sen-

Those perennial bad boys Axi Rose, Slash and the rest of Guns N Roses begin a 26-concert North American tour Tuesday in Austin Texas. . . . Prince and his New Power Generation launch a tour March 8 in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. His Royal Purpleness will play in 10 cibes.

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Europe

Much of Europe will have colder than normal weather

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GATES: How Microsoft's Mogul Reinvented an Industry - and Made Himself the Richest Man in America

By Stephen Manes and Paul Andrews. 534 pages. \$25. Double-

Reviewed by David Nicholson

T is tempting to call Bill Gates's A seemingly miraculous ascension as the king of software "the revenge of the nerd." but the truth of it is that Gates was no nerd. And while the rise of Microsoft to preeminence among international software makers may have involved luck and being in the right place at ple and that he was willing to work of Edison and Bell. harder too.

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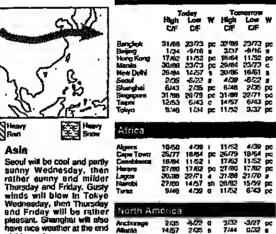
important as this story is, this massive hiography is perhaps more interesting for its portrait of Gates as a complex character - part Peter The Washington Post.

the right time, it was hardly miraculous — the plain truth is that Gates was smarter than most peo-

Bill Gates knew he wanted to

Paul Andrews, is an impressive ac-count of the life of the Microsoft one of the richest men in America). chairman from his childhood to the and he was willing to do whatever it emergence of the company he co-founded with a high-school and came looking for an operating syscollege friend, Paul Allen, as the tem for its new personal computer. world's leader in software. The book is meticulously researched. Microsoft's story of stunning that, while not illegal, illustrate success is often held up as an exam- wby the term business ethics is an ple of how America can compete in oxymoron. He always admired the the world, at a time of alarming scientists, the "smart guys" but, in declines in American competitive- the end, as Manes and Andrews tell ness. And yet, as interesting and us, "Gates liked experimentation, hnt be liked profit even better."

David Nicholson is on the staff of



N the 10-game exhibition match

in Budapest, Judit Polgar was

leading 3-2 against Boris Spassky.

fense, to adopt the Averbakh At-

tack with 5 Be2 and 6 Bg5. In this, White delays the development of his king knight to hold open the option of such thrusts as g4 or h4.

Meanwhile, Black cannot routinely

advance in the center with 6 ... e5?

because after 7 de de 8 Qd8 Rd8 9

Nd5 the pin wins material for

By Robert Byrne

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of his own. The immediate tactical

point was that 15 ... b4? would be

rebuffed by 16 Nce4!, when 16 ...

Ne4? would be suicidal in view of

16 g4! Had Polgar tried 16 ... b4,

Spassky could have played 17 gf bc 18 O-O cb 19 Rab1 Qf8 20 Qf8 Kf8

21 Bd3 gf 22 Rb2 Ne4 23 f4 Nd7 24 Rb7 with endgame advantage. In

this line, 19 ... Qe2? was prohibited by 20 fg fg 21 Qg6 and mate next

Polgar chose 16 ... Bd3 and

Spassky struck a sharp blow with

17 Qh7 Kf8 18 Qh8 mate.

In Game 3 Spassky departed from his Saemisch Attack, 5 f3 against Polgar's King's Indian De-

Polgar sacrificed a pawn with 11 17 O-O-O! After 17 ... Be2 18 Rhel.

13 Qh6 h5 14 Nf3 Qe7, he haughrily refused to defend but went right ahead with 15 Ng5! and an attack

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Qe6 21 Re2 Qc4 22 Rd6 Nbd7 23

20 Kd1 bc 21 f3! Nbd7 22 Ne4

leaves Black helplessly awaiting 23

h4 followed by 24 h5. Accordingly, Polgar elected to defend the end-

game that arose from 18 ... Qf8 19

Qf8 Kf8 20 Re2 Re2 21 Ne2. Per

haps she should have recovered her

lost pawn with 21 ... bc 22 Nc3 Nbd7 23 Nge4 Ne4 24 Ne4 Ke7 25 Re1 Ne5 26 Ne5 dc 27 Re5 Kd6 28

Re3 Kd5, yet White has elear posi-

After her weak 21 ... Nbd7 22 Nc3 Nb6? 23 ch ah 24 Nb5 Ra2 25

tional advantage after 29 Rf3

she had lost a second pawn.

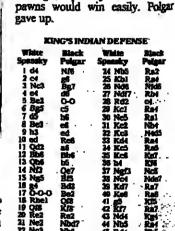
Moreover, 18 ... Bd 1 19 Re7 Re7

Re3 is lost for Black.



Position after 16...Bd3

Kbt Ra4 26 Nd6 Nfd5 27 Ndf7, king from one side of the board to the other, but after 46 Ne5!, the chase was over. After 46 ... Rd4 (on Beginning at move 30, Polgar's rook and knights worried the white 46 ... Ra5?, 47 Nd7! permits no



Nf6 mate) 47 Nd4 Kh4 48 Ng6 Ng6

49 Kg6, Spassky's three extra

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